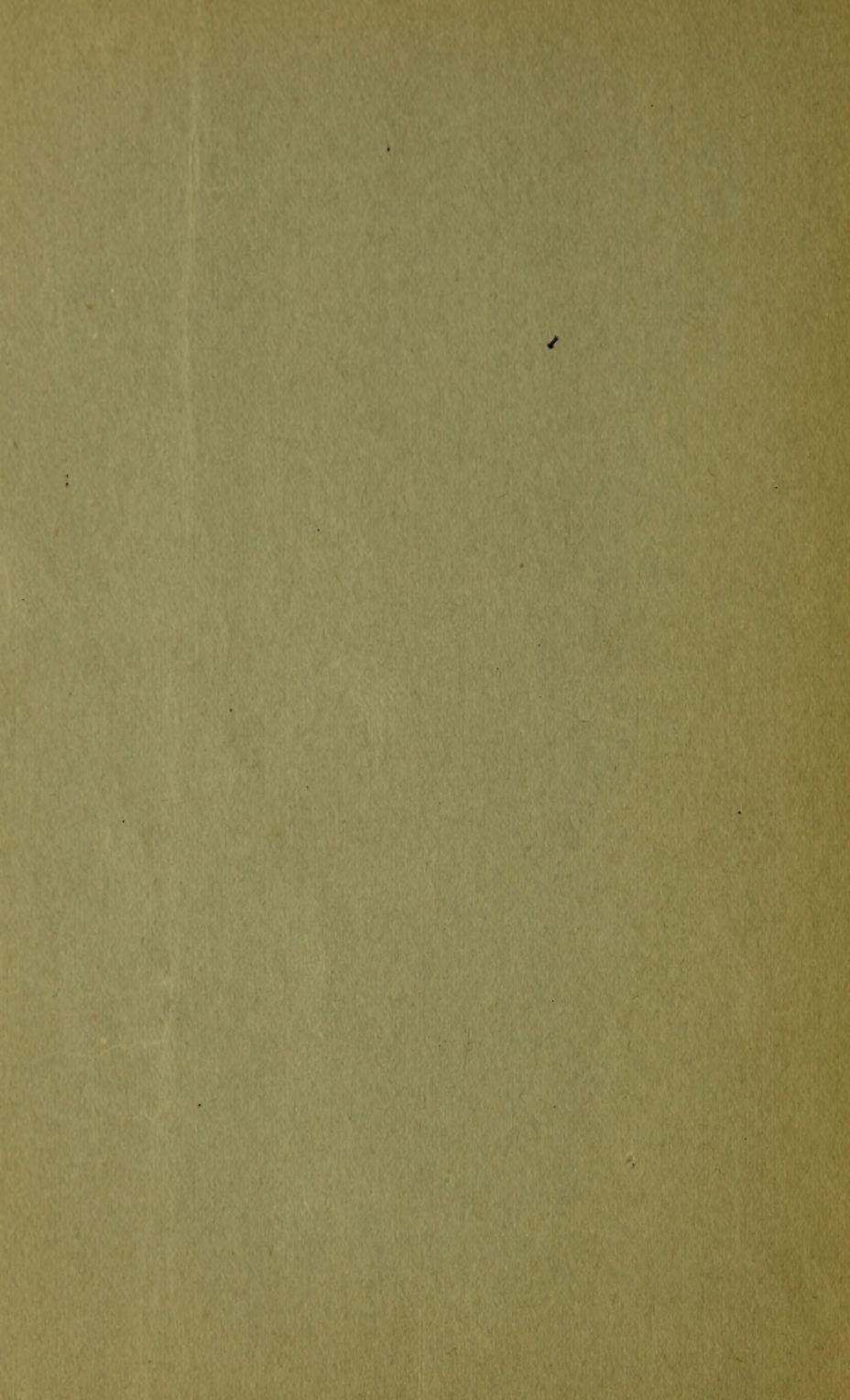


COHASSET TOWN REPORT



1911



One Hundred and Forty-Second Annual Report.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF
THE SELECTMEN
OF THE FINANCIAL AFFAIRS OF THE
TOWN OF COHASSET
AND THE
REPORTS OF OTHER TOWN OFFICERS
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,
1911.

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1911-12.

Town Clerk.

HARRY F. TILDEN, . . . Term expires March, 1914

Selectmen, Assesors and Overseers of Poor.

PHILANDER BATES, Chairman, Term expires March, 1914

HERBERT L. BROWN, " " " 1912

WILLIAM O. SOUTHER, JR., " " " 1913

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER.

Auditor.

EDWARD L. STEVENS.

Highway Surveyor.

GEORGE JASON.

Constables.

SIDNEY L. BEAL, ARTHUR C. LITCHFIELD,

HENRY E. BRENNOCK, LOUIS J. MORRIS,

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH.

Tree Warden.

JOSEPH E. GRASSIE.

School Committee.

MARTHA P. HOWE, . . . Term expires March, 1912

GEORGE JASON, JR., . . . " " " 1912

CALEB LOTHROP, . . . " " " 1914

EDITH M. BATES, . . . " " " 1914

CHARLES W. GAMMONS, . . . " " " 1913

BURTON S. TREAT, . . . " " " 1913

Public Weighers.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER,	MARY C. TOWER,
JOSEPH P. VALINE,	DAVID W. HOMER,
ALFRED BEAL,	CORNELIUS KENNEY,
AUSTIN L. AHEARN,	FREDERICK AHEARN.
ELIZABETH L. TILDEN,	

Pound Keeper.

JAMES F. PINKHAM.

Keeper of Lock-Up.

WILLIAM J. BRENNOCK.

Auctioneers.

GEORGE F. SARGENT, JR.,	EDWARD E. WENTWORTH,
AARON PRATT,	JAMES S. BEAL,
EPHRAIM SNOW, JR.,	AUGUST F. B. PETERSEN,
JOSEPH E. GRASSIE,	

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

EZEKIEL L. JAMES,	FRANKLIN BEAL,
CHARLES H. HACKETT.	

Surveyors of Lumber.

ARTHUR O. HIGGINS,	JOSEPH A. VALINE.
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Harbor Master.

MANUEL S. ENOS.

Assistant—JOHN W. BRENNOCK.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

EDWARD L. STEVENS.

Town Accountant.

EDWARD L. STEVENS,	For three years.
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Cattle Inspector.

DARIUS W. GILBERT.

Finance Committee.

WILLIAM FAXON, JR.,	.	.	Term expires March, 1913
CHARLES H. HACKETT,	.	.	" " " 1913
GEORGE H. STEVENS,	.	.	" " " 1913
ELMER F. OLMSTEAD,	.	.	" " " 1912
E. CLARENCE TOWER,	.	.	" " " 1912
J. PENNINGTON GARDINER,	.	.	" " " 1914
EPHRAIM SNOW, JR.,	.	.	" " " 1914

Trustees of Public Library.

EDITH M. BATFS,	.	.	Term expires March, 1914
MRS. MARTHA P. HOWE,	.	.	" " " 1914
DR. OLIVER H. HOWE,	.	.	" " " 1914
EDWARD H. TOWER,	.	.	" " " 1913
EDWARD NICHOLS,	.	.	" " " 1913
GEORGE W. COLLIER,	.	.	" " " 1913
FLORENCE N. BATES,	.	.	" " " 1912
SARAH B. COLLIER,	.	.	" " " 1912
BURGESS C. TOWER,	.	.	" " " 1912

Board of Health.

DARIUS W. GILBERT,	.	.	Term expires March, 1913
WARREN F. SNOW,	.	.	" " " 1912
IRVING F. SYLVESTER,	.	.	" " " 1914

**TOWN OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN
FOR THE YEAR 1911-12.**

Field Drivers.

THOMAS LONEY,	WILLIAM W. BATES,
E. L. JAMES,	JOSEPH L. LEONARD,
SIDNEY L. BEAL,	JOHN T. KEATING.

Fence Viewers.

EDWIN BATES,	THOMAS A. ROCHE,
	GEORGE JASON.

Superintendent of Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth.

JOSEPH E. GRASSIE.

Forest Warden.

WILLIAM J. BRENNOCK.

Chief of Police.

THOMAS L. BATES.

Night Police Officers.

JOSEPH A. ANTOINE,	FRANK JASON,
JOHN J. GRASSIE,	SIDNEY L. BEAL,
* ROBERT AINSLIE,	* MANUEL P. VALINE.

Special Police Officers.

† JOHN FLEMMING,	† IRA ADAMS,
† JOSEPH S. ENOS,	JOHN ROCHE.

Engineers.

HARRY E. MAPES,	GEORGE JASON,
ELMER E. BATES,	HENRY E. BRENNOCK,
JAMES S. BEAL,	ANSELM L. BEAL,
WILLIAM H. McARTHUR.	

Registrars of Voters.

CALEB F. NICHOLS	. . .	Term expires May, 1912
GEORGE O. HIGGINS	. . .	" " " 1913
THOMAS W. DOYLE,	. . .	" " "
HARRY F. TILDEN, <i>ex-officio</i> , Clerk of Board.		

Inspector of Meats and Provisions.

DR. DARIUS W. GILBERT.

Inspector of Milk.

DR. DARIUS W. GILBERT.

Inspector of Slaughtering

DARIUS W. GILBERT.

* To serve from May 1 to September 30, 1911.

† To serve without compensation from the town.

TOWN OF COHASSET.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S
REPORT.

ACCOUNTS OF 1911.

(For Index see Recapitulation)

TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation (Article 17, Annual Meeting, Mar. 6, 1911)		\$4700 00
Appropriation (Article 36, Annual Meeting, Mar. 6, 1911)		
Collector		800 00
		<hr/>
		5500 00
Receipts— By Tax Collector, summonses, etc.		50 60
Expenditures—		
Selectmen (Salaries)		
Philander Bates (in same proportion to total amount received as last year)	\$450 00	
Herbert L. Brown,	500 00	
William O. Souther, Jr.,	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$1450 00
Other Expenses—		
Selectmen's personal expenses—		
P. Bates, \$14.11; H. L. Brown, \$4.44; W. O. Souther, Jr., \$7	\$25 55	
Telephones of Chairman of Board	62 46	
Filing cabinet, one-half each, cabinet and cards, \$11.30; teaming \$1.85	56 57	
Record book,	1 75	
Teams,	19 00	
Auto list for 1911,	10 00	

Photos of electric light pole	5 00	
Posting warrants,	12 00	
		\$192 33
Auditor—		
Fred L. Reed, auditing books for 1910 and exp.		55 00
Accountant—		
Edward L. Stevens, services		600 00
Expenses: Postage	6 13	
Postals(2 Spec. Mtngs)	13 15	
Typewriter ribbon	75	
Express, pencils, paste, etc.	90	
		20 93
Treasurer,—		
Newcomb B. Tower, services,		700 00
Expenses: Bond,	50 00	
Postage, stationery, etc.	26 23	
		76 23
Collector,—		
Newcomb B. Tower, services		800 00
Expenses: Bond,	50 00	
Postage, stationery, etc.	44 04	
		94 04
Assessors,—		
Philander Bates, (in same proportion to total amount received as last year)	490 00	
Herbert L. Brown,	300 00	
William O. Souther, Jr.,...	300 00	
		1090 00
Expenses (Assessors),—		
Personal, H. L. Brown	3 95	
Copies and abstracts of Probate records..	11 50	
List of deeds,	25 00	
Filing cabinet, one-half each, cabinet and cards, \$11.30; teaming, \$1.85	56 58	

Lake Superior Copper Co. shareholders' list	75 00	
Teams,	6 00	
	<hr/>	178 03
Other Finance Offices and Accounts—		
Director Bureau of Statis- tics, certification of notes in anticipation of taxes, (5 at \$3)		15 00
Town Clerk,—		
Harry F. Tilden, services, recording births, deaths, and marriages, 1910	8 20	
(His bill for 1911 not re- ceived in time for pay- ment from this year's accts.; appropriation ex- hausted; see list of un- paid bills at end of this acct.)		
Expenses:		
Office,	2 54	
Record book, seals and files	6 30	
Safe,	50 00	
One-half freight and carting of safes....	4 25	
	<hr/>	71 29
Registrars of Voters,—		
Bill of \$50 rendered by each (paid pro rata with balance left of appr'n)		
George O. Higgins,.....	30 00	
Caleb F. Nichols,	30 00	
Thomas W. Doyle,	30 00	
Harry F. Tilden,	30 00	
	<hr/>	120 00
Election Officers,—		
Henry E. Brennock,	5 25	
Louis J. Morris,	3 50	
Fred C. Blossom,	8 75	
Abraham J. Antoine,	8 75	

Henry E. Sweeney,	8 75		
George P. Neagle,	1 75		
George Jason,	3 50		
Thomas L. Grassie,	7 00		
Thomas W. Doyle,	7 00		
Charles H. Hackett,	3 50		
Frank F. Martin, Jr.,	3 50		
Andrew H. Prouty,	3 50		
Ezekiel L. James,	3 50		
John Roche,	3 50		
Thomas L. Bates,	3 50		
George Jason, Jr., 1-2 day,..	1 75		
		77 00	
Expense, dinners		17 75	
Balance to "Incidentals"			7 00
		\$5557 60	\$5557 60

Unpaid bills of Town Officers'
Account,—

Harry F. Tilden, Town Clerk	\$281 45	
E. E. Wentworth, Tax Col- lector's expenses	55 00	
Registrars of Voters (4 at \$20)	80 00	
Coh. Liv. and Sale Stable, team Selectmen	2 50	
		\$418 95

FINANCE COMMITTEE—EXPENSES

Appropriation,	\$148 12
Expenditures,—E. Snow, Jr., Sec'y (expenses 1910)	\$148 12

TOWN SURVEY OF PRIVATE LANDS

Appropriation,	\$400 00
Expenditures,—	
C. H. Gannett, civil en- gineer,	\$399 90
Tower Bros. & Co., stick of timber,	10
	400 00

TOWN HALL

Appropriation,		\$800 00	
Receipts—For rent and use of halls,			417 75
Expenditures,—			
Janitor, Ephraim Snow		\$300 00	
Telephone service,	51 38		
Lighting,	231 84		
Heating,	145 41		
Repairs on heating apparatus, by order of State Po- lice; paid Frank J. An- toine,	255 38		
Erecting and taking down election booths,	10 50		
Wiring and lamps for booths,	18 55		
Wiring and lamps for office of accountant and Chief of Police,	12 39		
Wiring, general,	6 33		
Telephone between Selectmen's room and accountant's office,	28 80		
Electric fan and express, Se- lectmen's room	20 65		
Linoleum for floors and piano platform and express ..	48 56		
Tuning piano,	2 00		
Painting,	37 90		
Re-covering table and doors,..	16 10		
Cleaning vaults,	9 00		
Janitor's supplies,	30 01		
Boiler inspection,	2 00		
Carpentry work	3 28		
Janitor's ass't, washing,.....	1 45		
Balance over appropriation and receipts to "Incd."....		932 53	14 78
		<u>\$1232 53</u>	<u>\$1232 53</u>
Unpaid bills Town Hall Account,—			
Repairing piano, upper hall,....	3 90		
40 lamps,	3 00		
Fuel, Tower Bros. & Co.,.....	71 68		
		<u>78 58</u>	

 PRINTING

Appropriation,		\$800 00	
Expenditures,—			
Selectmen,			
Warrants,	17 50		
Postal card printing, notices			
etc.,	10 50		
		<hr/>	28 00
Assessors,			
Poll tax lists, envelopes, etc.			28 30
Accountant, envelopes and			
express,			3 55
Town Treasurer, vouchers,			
note-heads, etc.			9 00
Collector,			14 25
Town Clerk,			3 55
Elections,—			
Ballots, instructions, lists,			
etc.,	42 00		
Voting lists,	55 00		
Tally sheets,	12 50		
		<hr/>	109 50
Other Finance Offices and			
Accounts:			
Advertising refunding notes,			10 80
Police Dept.:			
Placards,	2 00		
Letter-heads and envelopes..	5 85		
		<hr/>	7 85
Street Watering Dept.:			
Posters of auction sale,			2 75
Town Reports of 1910 (with ex-			
tra copies of Valuation			
list)			502 25
Balance over to Treasury			80 20
		<hr/>	<hr/>
		\$800 00	\$800 00

LAW

No Appropriation.

Expenditures,—

Harvey H. Pratt, 1-3 of bill	
printing, etc., arguments	
Fore River Bridge case	10 66

Com. v. Miller (auto case) ..	25 00	
		35 66
Walter L. Bouve, services motor boat cases, 1910,....		35 00
Whipple, Sears & Ogden, before 1910, Disbursement and expenses re. Cohasset v. Boston (Charity case),		30 69
Transferred to "Incidentals"		\$101 35

WATER FOR HYDRANTS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Appropriation, \$4205 00

Expenditures,—

Cohasset Water Co. For service in 1911:

Fire Dept., 69 hydrants, at \$44.673,	3082 50	
Add'l 10 hydrants at \$45..	450 00	
Hose No. 1, \$10; H. & L.	20 00	
Schools, Osgood, \$35; Beechwood \$10,	45 00	
Town Hall,	35 00	
Cohasset Home,	42 00	
Drinking fountains on highways, etc.,	50 00	
Street Sprinkling,	75 50	
		3800 00
Fire Dept., hydrant King St. 5 mos.,		18 75
Hingham Water Co. 7 hydrants at \$25	\$175 00	
P. O. Bldg., No. Cohasset..	5 00	
		180 00
Balance to Treasury.....		206 25

\$4205 00 \$4205 00

Unpaid bill: Hingham Water Co., moving hydrant,..... 10 82

NIGHT AND SPECIAL POLICE

Appropriations:

Night Police.....	\$3600 00
Special Police.....	600 00
Receipts—Night Police	25 00
Special Police	154 01

Expenditures—(services)

Thomas L. Bates, Chief,.....	\$374 94
Sidnev L. Beal.....	814 50
Joseph A. Antoine.....	721 13
Frank Jason.....	684 00
John J. Grassie.....	592 50
Manuel P. Valine.....	353 25
Robert Ainslie.....	346 50
John Roche (3 nights).....	6 75
John Roche (H. H. Gay, town reimbursed)	18 00
John Roche (July 2 and 3)..	6 00
John Roche (Sept. 26).....	2 25
Louis J. Morris (July 3)....	3 00
H. E. Brennock (July 3 and 4)	6 00
Arthur C. Litchfield (July 3)	3 00
E. E. Wentworth (July 3)....	3 00
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	\$3934 82

Manuel P. Valine, special work

1910	5 00
Sidney L. Beal, 11 days at Quincy, to Jan. 1, 1911 (1910)	11 00
John J. Grassie, special serv- ices	2 50

18 50

Expenses of Chief.....52 55

Telephone for Chief.....29 09

Special work:

John T. Keating, constable 1910	76 00
Robt. L. Curtis, services, 1910	13 80
Robt. L. Curtis, watching prop- erty (1911).....	7 00
Thos. L. Bates, services, Dec. 1910, \$69.25; Jan. 1911, \$87.05,	156 30

Payroll May Night: John Roche		
Louis J. Morris, H. E.		
Brennock, A. C. Litchfield		
and E. E. Wentworth, \$3		
each	15 00	
John Roche, special Jan. and		
Feb.	6 00	
Sept. 1, 2, and 23.....	6 50	
2 half days, motor boat....	3 00	
Louis J. Morris, Sept. 4 and		
16	6 00	
Henry E. Brennock, special		
services	16 40	
	<hr/>	306 00
Court fees and expenses:		
Thomas L. Bates, chief, 1910,		
\$10.46; 1911, \$16.40.....	26 86	
Sidney L. Beal,	7 50	
Frank Jason,	60	
E. E. Wentworth,	18 50	
Edward T. Reilly, services		
and expenses in identi-		
fication, 1910,	6 30	
	<hr/>	59 76
Lockup—		
Keeper, services, Mar. 1910,		
Mar. 1911,	10 00	
Keeper, services bal. 1911..	35 00	
Repairs, locks, etc.	7 11	
Meals	6 30	
	<hr/>	58 41
Care of Prisoners in other		
places,—		
Hingham, for 15 nights.....	7 50	
Quincy,	1.30	
	<hr/>	8 80
Police Signal system, repairs,		
etc.		108 03
Teams, H. F. Tilden	30 00	
C. S. Brassill,	1 50	
Balance over appropriation	<hr/>	31 50
and receipts to Incd.		228 45
		<hr/>
	\$4607 46	\$4607 46

Unpaid bills—

J. T. Keating, constable, 2 mos.	
1911,	12 00
A. C. Litchfield, constable, 1911	50 00
H. F. Tilden, teams	7 00
T. F. Kane, meals in lockup ...	1 85
Joseph St. John, mattresses, etc.	
lockup,	6 30
	<hr/> \$77 15

SUPPRESSION OF ILLEGAL LIQUOR SALES AND GAMBLING

Appropriation,		\$500 00
Expenditures,—		
John Roche, services as of-		
ficer,	\$33 00	
S. L. Beal, services as officer	3 75	
Frank Jason, services as of-		
ficer,	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$39 25
Team, H. F. Tilden.....		2 00
Balance to Treasury		458 75
		<hr/>
	\$500 00	\$500 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation —Maintenance,	\$1500 00	
1000 feet new hose,.....	700 00	
Two fire alarm boxes,	250 00	
Clearing wires,	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$2500 00
Receipts, Use of hose by Water		
Co.,		14 00
Expenditures,—		
General Administration: Of-		
fice expenses, \$8.70; print-		
ing, \$32.25; expenses to		
Convention \$10;		51 95
Salaries and Wages—		
Stewards, Albert J. Morris,		
Hose No. 1	40 00	
John F. Smith, H. & L.		
No. 1,	22 92	
Jos. W. Almeida, Hose 2,		
H. & L. 2,	30 00	

Arthur Studley, Hose No. 3,	30 00	
		122 92
Services at fires, etc.—		
Poll taxes and payments for services, 65 members at \$2,	130 00	
J. Lewis Bates, clerk Hose No. 1,	30 00	
J. A. Valine, clerk Hook & Ladder No. 1	30 00	
Hose No. 3,	5 00	
Stanley Beal, watching fire Hull St.,	3 00	
William A. Studley, watch- ing fire Hull St.,	3 00	
Arthur Studley, watching fire Hull St.,	3 00	
John Kennedy, watching fire Kimball's,	3 00	
John Kennedy, watching fire Clapp house,	3 00	
C. S. Reddy, watching fire Kimball's,	3 00	
C. S. Reddy, watching fire Hunter's icehouse,	3 00	
Pierce Butler, Hose No. 3; labor after fire,	2 00	
John Dymont, Hose No. 3, labor after fire,	2 00	
		220 00
Repairs on apparatus etc.—		
Wm. P. Malley, Hose No. 1	4 50	
Wm. P. Malley, H. & L, No. 1, new tires,	20 00	
Wm. P. Malley, H. & L. No. 1, truss for brake,..	6 00	
Wm. P. Malley, H. & L., No. 1., raising brake shaft,	2 50	
A. E. Grassie, H. & L., No. 1, painting, etc.,	8 30	
H. E. Brennock, labor on hose, etc., Hose No. 1..	4 50	

H. & L. No. 1	3 75	
Hose No. 3	3 25	
		52 80
Conveyance of apparatus to fires—		
H. E. Mapes, chief	30 00	
Coh. Liv. & S. Sta(\$15, 1910)	144 50	
Harry F. Tilden,	95 25	
Daley's Nantasket express..	70 00	
Central garage,.....	5 00	
E. E. Bates, Beechwood,....	2 00	
E. E. Bates, for forest fires 1910, \$6; 1911, \$2.50....	8 50	
John W. Bates,	18 50	
John T. Barnes,	3 00	
		376 75
Fuel—		
Tower Bros. & Co., Hose No 1,	33 76	
Tower Bros. & Co. H. & L. No. 1,	7 21	
Tower Bros. & Co., Hose No. 2,	4 52	
Tow Bros. & Co., Hose No. 3,	29 05	
Lincoln Bros. Co., "Inde- pendence" No. 1,.....	15 00	
E. E. Bates, wood; Hose No. 1, \$16; H. & L. No. 1, \$8; Ind. No. 1, \$4; Hose No. 2, \$4; Hose No. 3, \$4.,	36 00	
		125 54
Light—		
The Electric Light & Power Co.,... ..	33 00	
The Electric Light & Power Co., one lamp (1910)...	75	
Equipment Supplies—		
Hose No. 1, \$9.62; H. & L. No. 1, \$16.84,	26 46	
Hose No 2 and H. & L. No. 2, Beechwood,	14 31	
Hose No. 3, No. Cohasset..	16 30	

Independence No. 1,(Centre)	10 66	
Hose No. 4, 50c; general,		
\$74.26,	74 76	
Forest Fires,	2 20	
	<hr/>	144 69
Express on supplies,		2 65
Repairs on and Supplies for buildings,		
M. S. Leonard, H. & L.,		
No. 1,	5 15	
W. J. Brennock,	1 00	
John H. O'Neil: Stove lin-		
ings, Ind. No. 1, \$2;		
stove Hose No. 1; stove-		
pipe, Hose No. 1, \$4.50..	6 50	
Levi T. Lincoln, labor, Hose		
No. 2,	1 00	
E. E. Bates, stock for steps		
Hose No. 2.,	1 00	
	<hr/>	14 65
Fire Alarm—		
Care of batteries,	50 00	
Current,	45 86	
George Jason, Jr., labor and		
materials,	35 88	
A. M. Kimball, labor and		
materials,	49 13	
W. J. Brennock, labor.....	31 25	
The Elec. Lt. & P. Co., la-		
bor, etc., Beechwood St.	43 36	
Teams: Coh. Liv. & S.		
Stable (\$7.50, 1910) ..	29 50	
H. F. Tilden,	10 50	
General Supplies,	32 80	
	<hr/>	328 28
New box No. 47 (OUTLAY),		
Gamewell Co.,		75 00
One-half mile wire, replace-		
ment,		18 75
Labor on extinguishers, Os-		
good school,		1 00
OUTLAY: Two new boxes,		
Nos. 41 and 42,..... ..	150 00	
Expense of installing,.....	19 44	
	<hr/>	169 44

1000 feet new hose,	700 00
Cohasset Liv. & S. Stable, stor- age Forest Fires wagon for 6 mos.,	20 00
Damage to property: Robert Dymont	25 00
Balance to Treasury ..	30 83

\$2514 00 \$2514 00

Unpaid bill: Elec. L. & P. Co.,
current for batteries, \$4.16

FOREST FIRES

Appropriation, \$400 00

Expenditures—

Payrolls, Reservoir Hill, Church St., Sohier St., and Waldo Locks's	37 00
Hull St.,	29 00
Sohier St., No. Main and Cedar St. fires,	63 00
Doane and King St., fires..	68 75
Hull St., May 6, 7, & 8,....	25 75
Doane St. May 8 & 13.....	12 50
Night watch, Hull St.	12 00
Cedar St., spray-gang May 8 and 28	12 75
Other labor June 1,	13 00
Jerusalem Road, May 28'	18 00
Cedar St., May 28,	37 50
Cedar St., May 29,	47 25
John H. Wilbur, services Apr. 5 & May 28,	3 25
George W. Morse, services, Cedar St., May 28,	2 00
Arthur E. Enos, Doane St., May 8,	1 50
Ellery S. Sidney, Doane St., May 8	1 75
C. S. Reddy, Cedar St., May 29,	2 50
Antoine Busalack, Cedar St., May 29,	2 50

390 00

Teams,—

Cohasset Liv. & Sale stable	62 81	
Harry F. Tilden,	27 50	
E. E. Bates,	10 00	
Ross Gill,	3 25	
Cohasset Supply Co.....	2 50	
John T. Barnes,	2 00	
		108 06

Supplies,—

C. Callahan Co.,	14 40	
H. E. Wilder, soda,	2 50	
Norris Bros. & Co.,	6 00	
A. E. Grassie, touching up wagon,	50	
Lunches, etc.—		23 40
Jos. St. John, crackers and cheese,	1 96	
Thos. F. Kane, May 27,....	5 00	
		6 96
Balance over appropriation		128 42

\$528 42	\$528 42
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Unpaid bills: John P. Antoine,
team May 3, \$2.50

FOREST FIRES—WAGON

Appropriation,	\$340 00
Expenditures,—	
C. Callahan Co., wagon with all equipment,	500 00
Balance over appropriation to Incd.,	160
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	\$500 00 \$500 00

MOTH EXTERMINATION

Appropriations (Raised and appro- priated)	\$3560 00
	875 00

Authorized by State Forester
Rane in Sept. (not raised and ap-
pr'd) \$1000. This makes \$1875

authorized by State over the annual apprn of \$3560. Of this sum 80 per cent., or \$1500 is returnable. See note at bottom of this account.

Receipts: From State,	1153 29
From property owners (on tax bills)	755 40
From Mrs. Tlos. F. Richardson(not charged on tax bill) ,.....	207 00
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	\$6550 69

Expenditures,—

Payrolls,	\$6011 48	
Amount to property owners \$1716 (see note below)		
Other labor (moth extermination(.....	22 50	
Teams: Jos E. Grassie,	\$460 00	
H. F. Tilden,	212 32	
John P. Antoine,	80 00	
	<hr/>	752 32
Miscellaneous labor,	16 80	
Supplies,	74 16	
Rent of shop,	120 00	
Freight and express,	9 04	
Balance over appropriations and receipts,		455 61
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	\$7006 30	\$7006 30

(Note:) As receipts from property owners are included in this account, the amounts expended by the town for labor, etc., in that connection are charged and are part of total.

The State's year for Moth Extermination work ends Nov. 30; the town's financial year (for payments) ends practically Dec. 31. There is, therefore, always a difference in the two accounts for a calendar year. Perhaps the figures below will give a clearer idea of the situation:

Amount of annual appropriation,	\$3560 00
Amounts authorized by State to be expended in 1911, over and above apprn, of which	

80 per cent. will eventually be returned,		1875 00
Amount the town is re- quired to expend,....		<u>5435 00</u>
1910, 1 month, charged to property owners,	\$90 00	
1911, 11 months, charged to property owners,	<u>1542 00</u>	<u>1632 00</u>
Total amount that could have been expended dur- ing the State's Moth Extermination year, — that is from Dec. 1, 1910, to Dec. 1, 1911,..		\$7067 00

As far as the accountant can ascertain from the payrolls and other bills rendered in this account, and not counting the amounts charged to property owners, there was expended in December, 1911, about \$200 more than in December, 1910, and the amount expended in December, 1911, is included in the account of the State for 1912.

Again, the account can be summed up in the following man-
ner:

Total expended in 1911,	\$7006 30
Deduct Dec. 1911 (approx- imate figures),	<u>760 65</u>
	6245 65
Add Dec. 1910 (approximate figures),	<u>471 63</u>
Expenditures for State's year, including amounts charged to property owners,	6717 28
Deduct amount charged to property owners State's year,	<u>1632 00</u>
Total amount expended (as required by State) ap- prox.,	5085 28
Town's appropriation,	<u>3560 00</u>

Approximate amount upon which the State should have reimbursed the town,	1525 28
Actual amount of reim- bursement received by town,	1153 29
80 per cent. of \$1525.28, or approximate reimburse- ment,	1220 22
Approximately, then, it would seem that the State still owes the town on the work of 1911,	\$66 93

"A" After the above was written and in the hands of the printer, the accountant was informed by the Local Supt. that the State either had allowed, or was about to allow, an 80 per cent. reimbursement on a quantity of supplies purchased. The auditing department should be notified of such a transaction in time, so that the true cost of operation may be given in the annual report.

Besides the above, the cost of considerable work during 1911 has been charged to property owners (\$1716) but the town has to foot the bill at first. This sum will be charged to various taxpayers on their bills for next year, but in the meantime the town is out that much.

If the State's year for moth work ended with the calendar and town's financial year, the accounts would be much simplified. The Bureau of Statistics (another State institution) advocates making the calendar year the financial year of municipalities. It might be well also to advocate the calendar year for the State Moth Extermination.

The State, through one department, requires towns to live within their means and appropriations, and then, through another department, and by statute law, requires them to expend money without a clear and definite method of providing for such expenditures. In other words, towns are put in the position of contractors, they are compelled to expend considerable sums before they are reimbursed, either by the State or by private individuals.

TREE WARDEN

Appropriations (\$350 Tree Warden, \$250 Spraying Elm Beetle)		\$600 00
Expenditures,—		
Payrolls,	\$296 89	
Other labor, E. F. Lincoln....	15 75	
Supplies	108 31	
Trees:		
C. R. Keene,	\$35 50	
James F. Thom,	65 00	
	<hr/>	100 50
Teams:		
H. F. Tilden,	63 25	
Cohasset Livery and Sale Stable,	9 00	
	<hr/>	72 25
Balance to Treasury		6 30
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	\$600 00	\$600 00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

No Appropriation.

Expenditures,—

Services of sealer, Edward L. Stevens	\$50 00
Teams..	3 00
Supplies..	3 43
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Transferred to incidentals	56 43

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriations (total) \$1225 00

Expenditures,—

Salaries (appr'n \$275)	
D. W. Gilbert, Chairman....	\$100 00
Irving F. Sylvester, Secretary	123 50
Warren F. Snow,	10 00
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	\$233 50

Printing, (appr'n \$50)

Boundbrook Press, disease placards, folders, "Rules and Regulations", bank envelopes, postals, per- mits, folders, (Dr. Fer- nald), milk suggestions, two large posters.....	\$55 50
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Cloth placards, postals and report blanks for doctors	9 10	
Letter-heads and envelopes..	8 00	
Vining South Shore Syndi- cate, advertising.....	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$102 60
Quarantine, (appr'n \$150)		
O. H. Howe, M. D., services	\$9 00	
O. H. Howe, M. D., expenses	70	
F. H. Thomas Co., sputum cups and holders	6 16	
	<hr/>	\$15 86
Bill of D. W. Gilbert for \$75 for services not received in time for entry in ac- counts of 1911.		
Milk Inspection (appr'n \$100)		
Bill of D. W. Gilbert, \$25, for services not received in time for entry in ac- counts of 1911.		
Milk Examination (appr'n \$50) no charges.		
Fumigation (appr'n \$50)		
Warren F. Snow, services	8 00	
Disinfectants	19 40	
	<hr/>	27 40
Inspection Meat & Provisions (appr'n \$100)		
D. W. Gilbert, services		100 00
Straits Pond (including James' Brook. appr'n \$150)		
D. W. Gilbert, services and expenses	16 75	
I. F. Sylvester, boat, rope & sand,	11 50	
John W. Bates, labor, teams, etc.	36 31	
Manuel Grassie, labor.....	4 50	
C. B. Streight, carting boat, etc.	4 00	
Tower Bros. & Co., lumber, lime, etc.....	9 40	
	<hr/>	82 46

Enforcement of Law. (appr'n
\$100.)

6 00

D. W. Gilbert, services.....

Incidentals. (appr'n \$200)

I. F. Sylvester, Sec'y, record
book, postage and enve-

lopes 13 00

Cleaning fountains 2 00

E. L. Stevens, typewriting.. 1 50

O. H. Howe, M. D., report-
ing births and exp. 5 85

Chas. Wilson and J. Almeida
burying pigs 3 50

Odorless Excavator, supplies
and repairs 16 00

Repairs to cart, A. D. Gillis. 18 00

Bbl. covers, irons and bolts,
W. P. Malley..... 10 28

Use of wagon, H. F. Tilden. 50

 70 63

 \$638 45

Not ordered by Board of
Health:

Geo. Young, care of gate,
Nichols Road 25 00

 25 00

663 45

Balance to Treasury.....

561 55

 \$1225 00 \$1225 00

Unpaid bills, approved by Board of
Health: (not received in time
for entry in acc'ts of 1911.)

D. W. Gilbert, services,
Quarantine 75 00

D. W. Gilbert, services, Milk
Inspection 25 00

 100 00

H. E. Fernald, M. D., return-
ing births 5 50

H. E. Fernald, M. D., medi-
cal services 1 50

 7 00

O. H. Howe, M. D., services and expenses	2 50
W. F. Snow, return of deaths	10 50
J. P. Antoine, burying dead animal	2 00
Norris Bros. & Co., cask....	75
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	\$122 75

STRAITS POND

Appropriation		\$100 00
Expenditures — OUTLAY, New Upper Gate:		
Labor—H. E. Brennock.....	82 50	
Alexander Brown	65 70	
James J. McKay, stone cut- ter	112 00	
Arthur Studley	10 80	
M. Donahue, sharpening drills	16 00	
Materials, etc.		
Boston Bolt & Iron Co.....	45 89	
W. P. Malley.....	11 00	
Tower Bros. & Co.....	30 38	
Teams: H. F. Tilden.....	20 75	
	<hr/>	395 02
Maintenance:		
Labor: H. E. Brennock....	19 50	
W. J. Brennock.....	7 50	
E. A. Synnott, labor and stock	4 00	
Supplies: Tower Bros. & Co.	2 27	
Teams: H. F. Tilden.....	25 00	
	<hr/>	58 27
Balance over appr'n.....		353 29
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	\$453 29	\$453 29

INSPECTION OF CATTLE AND MEATS
(ANIMALS)

Appropriation		\$200 00
Expenditures—		
D. W. Gilbert, inspection of animals, Apr. 1, 1910—Apr. 1, 1911	100 00	
Inspection current year....	100 00	
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HIGHWAYS AND SIDEWALKS

Appropriation (town)	\$11190 00
Appropriation (State)	\$114 00

Receipts:

McCormick Estate, use of steam roller	255 00	
John Daley & Son, use of steam roller	30 00	
N. Y., N. H. & H. Rd., repair- ing Depot Ave.	35 00	
Joseph N. Willcutt, rendrock..	5 38	
James O. McCormack, refund of check	6 75	
Benj. H. Crane, stone	50	
Cyrus H. Bates, labor.....	6 75	
Mrs. Thomas G. Plant, stone..	29 38	
Reimbursement of Lane Quar- ry Co., overcharge	72 68	
George Jason, labor and stone.	32 16	
	<hr/>	473 60

\$11777 60

Expenditures:

Salary Highway Surveyor,(12 mos. at \$83.).....	997 00	
Ordered by Highway Surveyor Payrolls	9647 24	
Thos. A. Stevens, labor and teams	100 00	
Walls on Beechwood street and Jerusalem Road, Frank Mitchell and oth- ers	200 00	

Cunningham's Bridge		
Labor	70 77	
Lumber	221 32	
	<hr/>	292 09
Fence Jerusalem Road, oppo- site A. S. Bigelow's....		90 82
Fence Beechwood street....		43 95
Fence, Frank Sargent, paint- ing and stock.....		15 25
Freight, N. Y., N. H. & H. Rd.		29 61
Supplies		2 30
Gravel, 1910—E. W. Bates..		1 60
Not approved on vouchers by Mr. Jason, but charged to his account:		
E. H. Pope — town's pro- portion of cost of dig- ging across Jer. Rd. (outlet)	135 00	
H. W. Wadleigh—repairing breakwater, Black Rock Beach.....	90 00	
	<hr/>	225 00
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		11644 86
Balance to Geo. Jason's credit	18 74	
State Highway appr'n..	114 00	
Total balance	<hr/>	132 74
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		\$11777 60
Balance given above.....		\$11777 60
Not ordered by George Jason:		\$132 74
Street signs and express	3 70	
Street signs 1909.....	4 00	
Fence on Highland Ave.		
Labor—B. F. Morse.....	9 00	
Labor—D. D. Desmond.....	9 00	
Material—Tower Bros. & Co.	11 65	
Fence at Cove—M. S. Leonard	7 75	
Fence at No. Cohasset Bridge, (paint)	2 30	

Mowing bushes, King street, P Keefe	2 00	
State Highways, 1911.....	114 00	
Balance over to incidentals..		30 66
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	\$163 40	\$163 40
Total given above	\$11644 86	
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Total for Highways 1911....	\$11808 26	

REMOVING LEDGE ON ATLANTIC AVENUE

Appropriation		\$400 00
Expenditures:		
Labor	221 61	
Teams	79 00	
Cord wood, C. H. Hackett....	15 00	
Blacksmithing	12 88	
Gravel	5 50	
Rendrock and caps.....	15 08	
Tape measure 70c,; kerosene 40c ,.....	1 10	
	<hr/>	351 17
Balance to Treasury		48 83
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		\$400 00 \$400 00

There is a credit of \$12 for rendrock which should be given to this account, but it had not been received in the Treasury at the closing of the books.

WATERING OR OILING STREETS

Appropriation		\$4500 00
Receipts:		
Dennis Driscoll, tarvia etc....	41 75	
McCormick Est., tarvia, labor, etc.	63 50	
Offsets to Outlays: Rec't from auction sale (see Treasurer's report for detail)....	179 00	
	<hr/>	284 25
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		\$4784 25

Expenditures:

Oiling streets—

Labor (spreading oil, etc.)..	688 43	
Teams, (spreading oil, etc.)	735 71	
		1424 14
Oil		1423 88
Demurage		56 25
Tarvia		966 39
Freight, \$138.63; demur-		
rage, \$11		149 63
Repairs on carts and sup-		
plies		108 97
Sand		21 60
Total Oiling Streets		\$4150 86

Watering Streets:

Beehwood street—Oliver H.		
Bates	450 00	
Jerusalem Road — Franklin		
Beal	89 13	
Rent of land, Border street,		
J E. Grassie.....	15 00	
Taking down tank, Border		
street	4 75	
Storage carts W. T. Tilden..	30 00	
Storage carts, Geo. Jason..	3 50	
Auctioneer, Aug. 18, 1911, A.		
F. B. Peterson.....	17 90	
Total Watering Streets....		610 28

4761 14

Balance to Treasury..... 23 11

\$4784 25	\$4784 25
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Unpaid bills:

1910 and previous: Cyrus W.		
Bates, storage of water		
carts for 7 winters.....	35 00	
1910 and previous: Nantasket		
Plumbing & Heating Co.,		
(1904 and 1906), labor on		
water carts	9 50	
		44 50

REMOVING SNOW

Appropriation			\$1000 00
Expenditures:			
Payrolls		597 37	
Labor, Harry C. Bates.....	1 25		
Labor, Horace W. White.....	4 00		
Labor, etc., Franklin Beal....	3 50		
Labor and teams, Cohasset Liv- ery & Sales Stable.....	4 00		
		<u>12 75</u>	
OUTLAY:			
A. D. Gillis, new snow plow.	30 00		
A. B. Black Road Machine Co., one-horse plow, \$55; freight and carting \$4.27	59 27		
		<u>89 27</u>	
Balance to Treasury.....		300 61	
		<u>\$1000 00</u>	<u>\$1000 00</u>

ELECTRIC LIGHTS—STREET

Appropriations			\$6750 00
Norfolk Road	20 00		
No. Main stret.....	20 00		
Beechwood street (2).....	40 00		
Elm Court	20 00		
		<u>100 00</u>	
			<u>6850 00</u>
Expenditures:			
The Electric Light & Power Co.		6823 65	
Balance to Treasury.....		26 35	
		<u>\$6850 00</u>	<u>\$6850 00</u>

FORE RIVER BRIDGE MAINTENANCE

Appropriation			\$120 00
Expenditures: W. W. Hersey			
Treasurer		90 00	
Balance to Treasury		30 00	
		<u>\$120 00</u>	<u>\$120 00</u>

This balance will have to be added to next year's appropriation.
Unpaid ass't, \$30. Paid Jan. 18, 1912.

HARBOR MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT

Appropriations		\$1144 00
Receipts: Charles H. Cousens, Treasurer Harbor Committee from Bay State Dredging Co., for damage to buoys..		20 0'
Expenditures (approved by Har- bor Committee):		
1910—OUTLAY:		
F. F. Martin, Jr., labor on buoys	11 25	
W. P. Malley, blacksmith, labor on buoys	42 40	
Tower Bros. & Co., paint for bouys	6 50	
C. W. Barren, reimbursemen for misc., Outlays, (see 1910 Report, "Accts. Pa- able")	318 26	
	<hr/>	378 41
1910 — Cohasset Supply Co., chowder, \$10.68; charcoal, 12c		10 80
1910 — Capt. Joseph Jason, placing harbor buoys, bal.		10 00
1911 — Capt. Joseph Jason, painting iron work.....		15 00
Capt. Joseph Jason, on ac't. placing buoys		25 00
C. Callahan Co., hose, sprink- ler, etc., Lawrence wharf..		8 90
W. W. Morris, large cloth plans of harbor.....	20 00	
Tracing	10 00	
	<hr/>	30 00
Thomas W. Doyle, painting floats		3 30
Lawrence wharf., L. D. Will- cut & Sons Co.:		
Grading and shrubs.....	135 00	
Granolithic work around shelter	45 00	
Wm. Levange, labor filling..	6 75	

B. H. Crane, mowing, etc...	16 50	
Coh. L. and S. S., cord man- ure, \$9; labor, \$4.....	13 00	
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Bouys, Lights, etc.:		
Harrington, King & Co., mooring bouys, chains, etc.	156 16	
Robert Ainslie, care harbor lights, etc.	30 94	
George Lawley & Son, Corp., balls and staffs for bouy (spruce poles).	22 30	
Tower Bros. & Co., lamp, supplies, lumber and ce- ment.	3 20	
W. P. Malley, iron work for bouys and light	4 25	
M. E. Salvador, 2 red lant- erns	24 00	
Kerosene, \$2.40; moving mooring stone, \$3; put ting up spar lantern, \$3	8 40	
Joseph A. Antoine, labor on bouys and spars	9 00	
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M. E. Salvador, lobsters.....		11 72
Boston News Bureau, tele- grams to Washington....		7 73
C. W. Barron, postage, circu- lars and auto from Plym- outh and return.....		64 26
H. F. Tilden, barge.....		2 00
Elmer L. Curtis, services be- fore legislature in re-divis- ional line between Cohas- set and Scituate, \$100; ad- vertising \$15.30		115 30
	<hr/>	1156 92
Balance to credit of Harbor Committee		7 08
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	\$1164 00	\$1164 00

Balance above given.....		\$7 08
Harbor Masters, Floats, etc.		
Expenditures (by selectmen):		
Harbor Masters, M. S. Enos,		
\$50, J. W. Brennock \$50..	100 00	
M. S. Enos, labor on floats....	15 00	
J. W. Brennock, labor on float		
Tower's wharf	17 50	
Tower Bros. & Co., supplies		
for wharf and floats....	17 18	
Tower Bros. & Co., material		
for repairing float at Tow-		
er's wharf	28 74	
George P. Tower, painting		
float, shelter, etc.....	4 50	
H. E. Brennock, launching		
float	1 00	
M. S. Leonard, labor, etc., on		
fountain, Lawrence wharf.	18 43	
Elec. Lt. & P. Co., lamp for		
fountain, Lawrence wharf.	50	
Coh. Liv. & Sale Stable, horse		
moving float	50	
Balance over to incidentals..		196 27
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	\$203 35	\$203 35

Total for Harbor Maintenance 1911, \$1360.27. Unpaid bill, (ap-
proved by Harbor Committee,) C. H. Hackett, cedar poles, \$10.

SUPPORT AND RELIEF OF POOR

COHASSET HOME

Names of persons assisted cannot be published—see Chap. 412, Acts
of 1910.

Appropriation (Includes "Outside		
Poor" and "General Adminis-		
tration"; see "Recapitulation"		
after General Administration)..	\$5000 00	
Receipts: Board	160 00	
Produce etc., turned in by J.		
H. Pinkham	121 29	
Produce, etc., turned in by J.		
H. Pinkham	2 16	

Expenditures:

Superintendent — James H. Pinkman		\$600 00
Telephone		30 30
Light		33 36
Fuel—coal \$189.68; wood \$13.50		203 18
Drugs and medicines		7 20
Grain—Hingham Grain Mill...	\$211 76	
Grain—H. F. Tilden.....	1 65	
	<hr/>	213 41

Groceries, Meats and General Supplies (see Recapitulation of total cost of "Home for 1911)

Paid bills — Joseph St. John, net am't	116 32	
Norris Bros. & Co., net am't.	111 06	
Cohasset Supply Co., net am't	132 72	
H. L. Brown, net am't.....	29 36	
	<hr/>	389 46
A. W. Cartland, meat.....		1 17
Fruit, Nicholas Simeone.....		10 21
1910, spring water, E. F. Lincoln		1 40
Soap, Miley Soap Co.....		17 50
Clothes, boots, shoes etc.:		
Monteiro Tailorring Co....	9 00	
L. W. Vining.....	10 38	
Tower Bros. & Co.....	2 00	
P. Bates	1 00	
	<hr/>	22 38

Furniture, etc.

Hopkinson & Holden, kitchen ware,	\$8 78	
1910, Est. A. C. Bates, \$7.15; kettles, etc.	10 15	
Page & Baker Co., two rattan chairs,	14 40	
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Repairs to building, etc		
Heating app., Frank J. Antoine, labor and material	255 17	
M. S. Leonard,	2 50	
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Inspection of boiler, \$2;		
framing license, 75c		2 75
Labor on doors, John Roche.		7 50
Wiring, Bosworth & Beal ...		3 15
Miscellaneous supplies, fertilizers, garden seed, farming tools, etc.,		
Tower Bros. & Co.	57 19	
H. L. Brown	14 45	
J. Breck & Sons	9 90	
M. J. Sullivan, brushes, etc.	3 90	
C. C. Jordan, spraying oil..	9 00	
John Daun, geraniums.....	8 00	
	<hr/>	102 44
Tonsorial work, C. A. Tanger..		2 75
Filing Saws, E. A. Synnott....		1 00
Labor, Joseph W. Whitcomb,		
mowing	14 00	
David Murphy	13 50	27 50
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		\$1967 66 \$283 45

RECAPITULATION OF TOTAL COST OF COHASSET HOME FOR 1911

Unpaid bills of 1911—Appropriation expended,—	Cr.	Dr.
Jos. St. John, in account with "Home"	\$39 55	
Norris Bros. & Co.	34 55	
Cohasset Supply Co. (Dr. eggs) ..	20 42	\$1 20
H. L. Brown (Dr. 250 lbs. pork)	26 36	20 00
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	\$120 88	
Elec. Lt. & Power Co., light....	5 00	
Joseph E. Frates, Jr., fish.....	32 06	
Hingham Grain Mill, grain	9 54	
Lincoln Bros. & Co., coal	11 24	
Simone Bros. fruit	2 34	

Wm. O. Souther, ice	18 46		
Wm. O. Souther, labor plowing..	6 00		
		24 46	
F. W. Browne, medicines, etc...		17 67	
M. J. Merriam, clothes		12 74	
E. E. H. Souther, newspapers, record books, tobacco, etc...	27 95		
Clothing, etc.	4 25		
		32 20	
Tower Bros. & Co., supplies....		71	
William P. Malley, blacksmith- ing, etc.		32 93	
A. D. Gillis, blacksmithing, etc..		8 00	
Edgar J. Pratt, labor & mater- ial, plumbing, etc.....		25 07	
John R. Silver, tonsorial work..		6 90	
Total unpaid bills of "Home", 1911		\$341 74	\$21 20
Additional to show Total Cost of "Home" 1911.			
George Jason, pasturing, eggs & milk (Dr., carriage and labor furnished "Home") ba of \$1.32 paid by Supt.		\$17 68	\$19 00
J. St. John, \$7.40; Norris Bros., \$4.60; Coh. Sup. \$6; add'l am'ts offset by eggs		18 00	18 00
		\$377 42	\$58 20
James H. Pinkham, Supt. in Acct. with "Home":			
Paid: to labor	62 25		
Meat, \$3.40; fruit, \$3.68.....	7 08		
Clothing, \$3.69; towels, etc. \$3.	6 69		
Oil stove, \$5; chair, \$2.75	7 75		
Express, frt. & carfare	3 88		
To inmates,	9 44		
Service \$2(stock); seeds, \$1; soap \$1	4 00		
		101 09	

Received: For vegetables	28 70	
Eggs,	5 68	
Board,	168 00	
Hay,	20 00	
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	222 38	
Paid Town Treasurer, see re- ceipts,	121 29	
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Bal. to Dr. showing entire receipts of the account, ..		101 09
Add Paid Accts' of "Home" for 1911,	\$1967 66	
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Total Cost of "Home" 1911.....	2446 17	
Add Receipts previously given.....		283 45
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		\$442 74
Deduct Total Receipts	442 74	
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Net Cost of "HOME" for 1911....	\$2003 43	

SUPPORT AND RELIEF OF OUTSIDE POOR

(Names not published; see Chap. 412, Acts of 1910)

For appropriation, see Cohasset
Home Account.

(See Recapitulation, after General Administration)

Receipts: —

1910 Acct. Town of Deerfield	\$161 73	
1910 Acct. Town of Hingham	115 75	
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		\$277 48
P. Bates, on account of Julia A. Glynn		21 00
Com. of Mass., support of sick paupers,		137 60
City of Brockton, medical as- sistance rendered		75 00

Expenditures,—

Town Aid,	\$655 00	
Cash assistance (at home) ..	392 00	
Cash assistance (Nova Scotia)	40 00	
Relief given by other places; City of New Bedford	98 93	

Town of Hingham 1910.....	473 50
Town of Stoughton	86 00
Medical attendance:	
George Osgood, M.D., town physician,	420 00
George Osgood, M. D., special services,	75 00
Frederick Hinchcliffe, M. D.	10 00
F. B. Mallory, M. D.....	5 00
	<hr/> 510 00

Nursing—

Mrs. S. J. Jason	12 85
Georgia Macleod,	32 00
Mrs. Mary E. Bates	19 50
Catherine M. Cahill.....	16 00
Priscilla M. Murphy	16 50
Mrs. Catherine Lane	17 00
Fanny E. James,	20 42
Charles E. Mann	59 00
Mrs. Charles A. Bates.....	12 00
Mrs. Annie Anderson	39 00
	<hr/> 244 27

Drugs and Medicines, F. W.

Browne	35 50
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Surgical Supplies, F. H.

Thomas Co.	16 98
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Fuel: Tower Bros. & Co.....	124 66
Lincoln Bros. Co.	161 91
Thos. L. Grassie	11 25
E. E. Bates,	3 50
	<hr/> 301 32

Rent—

Minot P. Gary (\$15-1910)....	35 00
Francis C. Tower	84 00
Antoine Francis(\$1.50-1910)..	21 00
Aaron Pratt,	96 00
A. F. B. Petersen, Agt.	6 00
Mrs. John Hughes	19 00
A. J. Silvia, Agent.....	40 00
Mrs. W. W. Bates,	56 25
C. Lothrop, Agt	35 00
H. G. Dick,	26 00
	<hr/> 418 25

Groceries & Provisions,—

Cohasset Supply Co.	135 52	
Everett Loud,	70 82	
Tower Bros. & Co.	13 60	
H. L. Brown,	36 78	
Jos. St. John	60 92	
Main St., Groc., N. Scituate.	31 67	
	-----	349 31

Board, etc. —

Mrs. Elizabeth James,		
clothes, boots, shoes, etc.		116 50
Geo. F. Hayden	33 50	
P. Bates,	19 20	
H. L. Brown,	12 10	
Continental Clothing Co. ...	3 95	
	-----	68 75
E. E. Bates, for moving \$6,		
milk \$5.10		11 10
Paid Accounts of Out-		
side Poor, 1911		-----
		\$3817 41 \$511 08

Unpaid bills of Outside Poor, 1911:

Town of Hingham	461 55	
Town of Weymouth	238 10	
Town of Stoughton	18 00	
	-----	717 65
Town Physician, Geo. Osgood,		
M. D., balance due		60 00
Medical attendance, W. P. Grove-		
stein, M. D.		75 00
Drugs and medicines, F. W.		
Browne,		87 07
Funeral of W. F. Snow		40 00
Fuel, Lincoln Bros. Co.		36 63
E. E. Bates		4 00

Groceries and Provisions:

Cohasset Supply Co.	21 86	
H. L. Browne	70 05	
Jos. St. John	11 57	
M. E. Salvador, clothes \$10.60;		
milk \$21.60	32 20	
E. E. Bates, milk	5 52	
	-----	141 20

Clothes, shoes, etc., P. Bates,...	24 65	
H. L. Brown,	5 25	
L. W. Vining	5 00	
M. J. Merriam	3 35	
	<hr/>	38 25
Board, Mrs. Elizabeth James ...		21 00
Repairs on stove, E. J. Pratt....		3 85
Total unpaid bills outside poor		<hr/>
1911		\$1224 65
Add Paid Bills of 1911,.....		3817 41
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Total Outside Poor acc't, 1911		\$5042 06
Deduct Receipts		511 08
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Net cost Outside Poor, 1911,....		\$4530 98

SUPPORT AND RELIEF OF POOR GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

The appropriation for the "Home" and "Outside Poor" also covers this account.

Expenditures:

Overseers of the Poor:

Philander Bates, services	\$60 00	
H. L. Brown, services \$100; exp., \$4.89	104 89	
W. O. Souther, Jr., services \$100: exp. \$3.....	103 00	
	<hr/>	\$267 89
Office expenses, record book..		1 75
Teams for Overseers: Coh. liv. & S. Sta.	3 25	
H. F. Tilden	1 00	4 25
Total for Gen'l Adm'n,	<hr/>	<hr/>
1911		\$273 89

Unpaid bill: Teams, Coh. L. &
S. Stable, \$4.75.

RECAPITULATION OF POOR ACCOUNTS 1911

Appropriation for three accounts brought forward	\$5000 00
Amounts Paid—	
General Administration	\$273 89

Cohasset Home (paid and received)	1967 66	283 45
Outside Poor (paid and received)	3817 41	511 08
Balance to Incidentals..		264 43
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Total amount of bills paid 1911	\$6058 96	\$6058 96
Add, Bills Unpaid:		
General Administration	4 75	
Cohasset Home	341 14	
Cohasset Home, (bal, paid G. Jason by Supt. to square his acct. with Home)	1 32	
Outside Poor	1224 65	
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Total Cost of Support of Poor for 1911	\$7631 42	

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' RELIEF

Appropriation		\$600 00
Expenditures in 1911(\$6-1910)..	\$442 00	
Balance to Treasury....	158 00	
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(See Chap. 412, Acts of 1910).....	\$600 00	\$600 00

STATE AND MILITARY AID

Appropriation		\$250 00
Receipts: From State State Aid		396 00
Military Aid		120 00
Expenditures:		
State Aid	\$450 00	
Military Aid	240 00	
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	690 00	
Balance to Treasury ...	76 00	
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	\$766 00	\$766 00

EDUCATION—SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS

Appropriation		\$18750 00
Receipts,—		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, tuition		20 00

County of Norfolk, dog license money,		314 76
Cohasset Savings Bank, income from Ripley Fund		40 40
Expenditures—(These are given in more detail under Financial Report of School Committee)		
School Committee:		
Mrs. Martha P. Howe, Sec'y	25 00	
Caleb Lothrop, Fin'l Sec'y..	25 00	
		\$50 00
Superintendent, Nelson G. Howard		790 00
Truant Officers, \$40; team, \$2.50		42 50
Expenses of Administrative Officers:		
Superintendent,	22 25	
Principal	13 40	
Envelopes	10 62	
Telephone, Osgood school..	35 35	
Boundbrook Press	1 50	
Hingham Journal, school calendars,	3 50	
		86 62
School Census,		25 00
O. H. Howe, M. D., inspection of children (In report to state, this is recorded under "Health & Sanitation")		103 10
Teachers(all grades) active....	11607 50	
Teachers unassigned	900 00	
Tuition paid other cities and towns:		
Unpaid bill of Hingham,\$112		
Transportation(see Transportation Account)		
Janitors, services, \$875; special services, \$25.....		901 00
Text books and supplies.....	1166 12	
Fuel, coal, \$1631.20; wood, \$38	1669 20	
Light, \$22.12; lamps, \$2.20....	24 32	

Buildings and Grounds, Main- tenance of	1555 43	
Advertising bids for new work OUTLAY	4 88	
Furnishings	38 50	
Other Expenses:		
Graduation expenses, diplo- mas, printing, flowers etc.	90 25	
Insurance	112 50	
Balance over appropriation and receipts		41 76
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		\$19166 92 \$19166 92

Note: Chap. 102, Sec 163, Rev. Laws, provides that money refunded to a town on account of dog licenses 'shall' be expended for the support of public libraries or schools". This town last year received \$447 from this source, and for some years past the amount received annually has been over \$400. It was reasonable to suppose the amount would be at least \$400 this year, but the town received only \$314. Therefore, the above account is slightly over-drawn, as the last batch of bills paid were figured on that amount of credit from dog licenses.

TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOLARS

Appropriation,		\$3250 00
Expenditures,—		
(The details are given by the School Committee in their report)		
H. F. Tilden, E. E. Bates, H. L. Willard Jr., and New York, New Haven & Hart- ford Rd.	\$3114 75	
Vining South Shore Syndicate, advertising for bids	4 14	
Balance to Treasury ...	131 11	
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		\$3250 00 \$3250 00

EDUCATION—SPECIAL

No appropriation

Expenditures (by Selectmen) Os
good School Fence,—
1910 acct. Oliver H. Bates,
posts

\$39 00

Benj. F. Morse, labor	2 25
Transferred to Inci-	
dentials.....	<u>\$41 25</u>

SUPPORT OF PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Appropriation (including Nantasket Branch)	\$2000 00
Expenditures,—	
Paid James Longley, Treasurer Paul Pratt Memorial Library	\$1900 00
Paid Mrs. Ada F. Faxon, Treasurer, Nantasket or North Cohasset, Branch...	100 00
	<u>\$2000 00 \$2000 00</u>

The reports of James Longley as Treasurer, and of Oliver H. Howe, as Treasurer of the Cohasse Free Public Library, appear under "Libraries".

TOWN COMMONS

Appropriations (Town)	\$300 00
(State) Town's proportion of cost of Maintenance of Nantasket,	93 71
Expenditures,—	
Labor and team, Benjamin F. Morse,	\$155 51
Labor Daniel D. Desmond	117 01
Cleaning pond(at Centre) labor	4 52
Cleaning Pond (at Centre) salt	4 50
Cementing around edge of pond, payroll,	28 50
Cementing around edge of pond, cement	9 00
Benjamin H. Crane, labor, Library ounds,	\$50 65
Labor, Cove Park	24 50
Labor, Guild Hall ,	29 15
	<u>104 30</u>

Treasurer of Commonwealth,		
Nantasket Maint.	93	71
Billings-Pratt Park, care of....	28	00
Tools, etc.	3	40
Labor repairing lawn mower,..	14	10
Balance over appropriation to Ined.		168 84
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	\$562 55	\$562 55

Unpaid bill :W. P. Malley, labor
on lawn mowers, \$2.30

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	\$200 00
Expenditures: Paid Cyrus H.	
Bates, Commander Henry	
Bryant Post	200 00

RECREATION

Appropriation	\$300 00
Expenditures:	
1910, R. N. Hare, care of ball	
field	22 00
1911, R. N. Hare, care of ball	
field	2 25
Rolling ball field.....	6 00
Base ball bases.....	4 80
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	35 05
Aaron Pratt, use of bathing	
pool, Beechwood, for 1911	10 00
Abraham J. Antoine, care of	
skating pond, Atlantic ave.	10 00

LABOR DAY

Reid's Band of Boston and ex-	
penses	130 50
Harwood Bros.—cups, medals,	
etc.	85 00
Libbie Printing Co.—flyers....	4 50
T. F. Kane—meals and rooms	
for orchestra	7 50
Police work—payroll	18 00
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	245 50

Balance over appropriation to Incidentals		55
	<u>\$300 55</u>	<u>\$300 55</u>

INCIDENTALS (UNCLASSIFIED)

Appropriation (General)		\$1500 00
Appropriation (Town History and Genealogy)		750 00
Receipts: (Offset to Outlay) O. H. Howe, Genealogies sold		20 00
Expenditures:		
Outlay—F. H. Gilson, balance due	750 00	
Distributing Town Reports— Frank J. Antoine	6 75	
John P. Antoine.....	10 00	
	<u>16 75</u>	
Voucher covers, warrants and express	35 30	
Ephraim Snow, care of Town Clock	30 00	
Damage to automobile, (C. P. Warren) settlement	19 75	
Damage to hydrant (Hingham Water Co.) repairs.....	13 71	
Safe—L. J. Bird & Co.....	25 00	
Moving, freight, etc.....	9 25	
	<u>34 25</u>	
Total Unclassified (including amount paid for Geneal- ogy for which there was an appropriation of \$750)		\$899 76
Transfers:		
Town Officers	\$7 00	
Town Hall	14 78	
Law	101 35	
Police Department	228 45	
Forest Fires—New Wagon.....	160 00	
Sealer Weights and Measures..	56 43	
Highways and Sidewalks.....	30 66	
Harbor Maintenance	196 27	
Charities	264 43	
Education—Osgood School fence	41 25	

Town Commons	168 84		
Recreation	55		
Cemeteries	3 10		
Pub. Serv., Ent., No. Coh. P. O. Bldg.	52 32		
Total Transfers		1325 43	
Bal. to Treas.		44 81	
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		\$2270 00	\$2270 00
Unpaid bills:			
Litchfield's Express	25		
E. E. Bates, labor and lumber,.. fish-ways 1909	4 05		
		<hr/>	4 30

NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH CO.

Services for individuals, charged to Departments which are reimbursed.

Receipts		\$266 89
Expenditures	320 44	
Balance over receipts....		53 55
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	\$320 44	\$320 44

CEMETERIES

No appropriation

Receipts—Sale of lots..... 83 70

Expenditures—

Outlay—D. O. Wagner, moving pumping house from Beechwood street to Wood- side Cemetery, furnishing posts and placing building.	45 00
Labor—Benj. F. Morse.....	9 00
Daniel D. Desmond.....	9 00
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	18 00
Labor, pipe, etc. F. T. Bailey & Co.	18 80
Lumber, etc. Tower Bros. & Co.	2 50

Deeds—writing and recording, N. B. Tower.....	2 50	
Balance over to Incidentals.		3 10
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	\$86 80	\$86 80
Unpaid bill: Cohasset Livery & Sale Stable, \$1.50.		

INTEREST

Appropriation		\$3000 00
Received: On deferred taxes....		297 37
On bank deposits:		
Rockland Trust Co.	93 91	
Hingham National Bank....	220 54	
Webster and Atlas National Bank	4 16	
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Paid:		
Cohasset Savings Bank, on time notes	1886 94	
Cohasset Savings Bank, Dis- count on Note No. 5....	93 75	
	<hr/>	1980 69
First National Bank, Boston, 3 months interest on \$60,000 bonds		600 00
Rockland Trust Co.:		
Discount on Note No. 1, An- ticipation Taxes	182 87	
Discount on Note No. 2, An- ticipation Taxes	298 68	
Discount on Note No. 3, An- ticipation Taxes	167 75	
Discount on Note No. 4, An- ticipation Taxes	254 44	
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Cohasset Free Public Library, O. H. Howe, Treasurer..	307 20	
Balance over appropriation and receipts		175 65
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	\$3791 63	\$3791 63

FIRE ALARM BOX IN CENTRAL TELEPTONE EXCHANGE
(OUTLAY)

Appropriation	\$225 00
Expenditures: The Gamewell Fire Alarm Tel. Co.....	225 00

TOWN HALL ASBESTOS CURTAIN AND SECOND EXIT FROM
GALLERY (OUTLAY)

Appropriation	\$250 00
Expenditures:	
H. W. Johns—Manville Co., asbestos curtain	175 00
Balance to Treasury	75 00
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	\$250 00 \$250 00

FISH WAYS AT DAM AT DICK'S MILL
(OUTLAY)

Appropriation	\$200 00
Expenditures:	
Irving F. Sylvester—labor	117 00
tock	78 95
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Balance to Treasury	195 95
	4 05
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	\$200 00 \$200 00

HARBOR IMPROVEMENT
(OUTLAY)

Appropriation	\$2000 00
Expenditures: Treasurer of Com- monwealth of Mass.	2000 00

NEW ROAD FROM PLEASANT STREET TO SMITH PLACE
(OUTLAY)

Appropriation	\$2000 00
Expenditures:	
Layout—Walter B. Foster, civil engineer	34 75

Land Damage—ordered paid but not accepted (lawsuit pending) Matthew Mulhern	400 00	
Payrolls:		
Teams	367 00	
Teams and labor.....	27 75	
Labor	293 82	
Gravel—E. W. Bates	95 95	
Posts—A. A. Davenport....	47 40	
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Tower Bros. & Co., drain pipe	48 75	
Fencing, lumber, etc.....	18 00	
One gallon paint.....	1 80	
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C. B. Streight—balance for team		2 00
James Denithorne—filing two saws		50
Balance to Treasury.....		662 28
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	\$2000 00	\$2000 00
Lawsuit pending; \$400 of above not accepted.		

NEW HEATING AND VENTILATING SYSTEM—OSGOOD SCHOOL (OUTLAY)

Appropriation	\$9650 00
Expenditures:	
Richard D. Kimball & Co., 3 per cent. on contract \$8825	264 75
W. W. Campbell & Son, con- tract \$8825 (and extra)..	8839 63
J. L. Sullivan, (mason).....	58 00
A. E. Salvador (mason).....	34 23
Thos. A. Roche (carpenter)..	14 48
Robt. F. Leighton—wiring....	87 00
The Buildings Care Co., clean- ing	185 00
Robert E. Cushing—painting..	2 65
Standard Electric Time Co...	36 74
Balance to Treasury.....	127 42
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	\$9650 00
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	\$9650 00

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE
(Post Office Building at North Cohasset)

No appropriation

Receipts—Rent	\$100 00
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Expenditures:

Wm. J. Brennock — painting contract		71 58
H. E. Brennock —labor on building		6 00
Alexander Brown—labor on building (carpenter)		10 80
Arthur Studley—labor.....		7 20
Manuel S. Leonard—labor and material, plumbing		47 31
Tower Bros. & Co.—lumber, hardware, etc.		9 43
Balance over receipts to Incidentals		52 32
		\$152 32 \$152 32

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Temporary Loans

No appropriation

Received:

Rockland Trust Co. Anticipation of Taxes:

March—Note No. 1, \$10000 discount at 3.15 per cent.		9817 13
April — Note No. 2, \$15000 discount at 3.35 per cent.		14701 32
May — Note No. 3, \$10000 discount at 3.30 per cent		9832 25
June — Note No. 4, \$15000 discount at 3.45 per cent		14745 56
		49096 26

Cohasset Savings Bank:

Aug.—Note No. 5, \$6000 discount at 3 3-4 per cent...		5906 25
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Paid:

Rockland Trust Co.

Oct. 10, Note No. 1, \$10000 (182.87 int.)		9817 13
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Nov. 14, Note No. 2, \$15000 (298.68 int.)	14701 32	
Nov. 22, Note No. 3, \$10000 (167.75 int.)	9832 25	
Dec. 21, Note No. 4, \$15000 (254.44 int.)	14745 56	
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Cohasset Savings Bank:

Jan. 4, 1912, Note No. 5 \$6000 (bal. 93.75 chrg. int.)		5906 25
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\$55002 51 \$55002 51

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Notes from Revenue (including issue of bonds to refund notes.)

Appropriation \$6000 00

Received:

Adams & Co., Boston, Sixty
\$1000 4 per cent. Refund-
ing Bonds at 101.61 and in
terest (vote of Town June
15, 1911.)

Bonds	\$60000 00
Premium	966 00

60966 00

Paid:

Cohasset Savings Bank—De-
mand notes (paid by issue
of bonds)..... 60000 00

Cohasset Savings Bank—De-
mand notes (from Reven-
ue) 2000 00

Cohasset Savings Bank—De-
mand notes (from Reven-
ue) 4000 00

First National Bank, Boston,
certifying and preparing
\$60000 bonds (report to
State under "Other Fi-
nance Offices and Accts.")
Balance to Treasury.....

\$66966 00

\$66966 00

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Metropolitan Sinking Fund Requirements

Appropriation		\$101 93
Paid:		
Treasurer of Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Metropolitan Parks Loan—		
Sinking Fund	27 59	
Metropolitan Parks Loan—		
Sinking Fund interest..	74 34	
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AGENCY

(Including also amounts received by the Town for licenses of vari-

ous kinds.)

Appropriations:

State tax	\$10945 00
County Tax	5076 26

Received:

From State—

Corporation Tax, balance of 1910	351 13	
National Bank Tax, balance of 1910	140 49	
Corporation Tax, Public Ser- vice, 1911	11699 09	
Corporation Tax, Business, 1911	45 87	
National Bank Tax	2345 50	
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Auctioneers' Licenses	6 00	
Milk Licenses	4 00	
Slaughter Licenses	4 00	
Swill and Piggery Licenses..	8 50	
Junk Dealers' Licenses (3)..	45 00	
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Paid:

State Treasurer, State Taxes 1911	10945 00
Treasurer Norfolk County, Tax- es 1911	5076 26

Return of protested taxes paid in 1911—A. S. Bigelow, Jr., \$96.48; Catherine R. Whit- ney and Wm. H. Reed, \$24	120 48	
Investigation of Electric lines (vote of special meeting, Dec. 2, 1911) Prof. H. E. Clifford, Har. University..	348 00	
Balance to Treasury	14181 10	
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	\$30670 84	\$30670 84

REFUNDS

No appropriation

Receipts:

Adams & Co., interest on \$50000 bonds sold.....		\$13 33
Geo. M. Thompson, Hingham— Redemption to title to woodland, sold to Aaron Pratt	15 18	
Legal fee	1 00	
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Expenditures:

(Correction of erroneous tax receipts.)

O. O. Smith (with int.)	21 55	
Fred'k E. Ahearn:		
1909 (ass'd Ahearn)	21 85	
1910 (ass'd to Lincoln Bros. Co.)	37 00	
1911 (ass'd to Lincoln Bros. Co.)	44 40	
	<hr/>	103 25
Aaron Pratt, refund of tax paid, ass'd to another per- son	15 18	
Balance over Receipts.....		110 47
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	\$139 98	\$139 98

RECAPITULATION AND INDEX.

ACCOUNTS OF 1911.		Page.	Total Amount Paid.	Appropriations.	Receipts.	Balance to Treasurer.	No appr'n, or, balance over appr'n and rec'ts.
Town Officers (balance of \$7 to Incidentals)	-	11	\$5,557 60	\$5,500 00	\$50 60		
Finance Committee, Expenses	-	14	148 12	148 12			
Town Survey, Private Lands	-	14	400 00	400 00			
Town Hall (balance of \$14.78 to Incidentals)	-	15	1,232 83	800 00	417 75	\$80 20	
Printing	-	16	719 80	800 00			
Law (to Incidentals)	-	16	101 35				
Water for Hydrants and Public Buildings	-	17	3,998 75	4,205 00	25 00	206 25	
Night Police	-	18		3,600 00			
Special Police	-	18	4,007 46	600 00	154 01	458 75	
Suppression Illegal Liquor Sales and Gambling	-	19	2,483 17	500 00		30 83	
Fire Department	-	24	528 42	400 00	14 00		
Forest Fires, Maintenance	-	25	500 00	340 00			\$128 42
Forest Fires, New Wagon (balance \$160 to Incidentals)	-	25		3,360 00	2,115 69		
Moth Extermination	-	25	7,006 30	875 00			
Tree Warden	-	29	593 70	600 00		6 30	455 61
Sealer of Weights and Measures (to Incidentals)	-	29	56 43				
Board of Health	-	29	663 45	1,225 00			
Straits Pond	-	32	453 29	100 00		561 55	
Inspection Cattle and Meats (Animals)	-	33	200 00	200 00			
Highways and Sidewalks (General (\$30.66 to Incidentals))	-	33	11,808 26	11,190 00	473 60		
Removing Ledge on Atlantic Avenue	-	35	351 17	114 00			
Watering or Oiling Streets	-	35	4,761 14	400 00			
Removing Snow	-	37	699 39	4,500 00	284 25		
Electric Lights, Streets	-	37	6,823 65	1,000 00			
Kort River Bridge, Maintenance	-	37	90 00	6,850 00			
Harbor Maintenance and Improvement (balance \$196.27 to Incidentals)	-	38	1,360 27	120 00	20 00		
Charities, Cobasset Home (balance \$264.43 to Incidentals)	-	40	1,967 66	1,144 00	283 45		
Charities, Outside Poor	-	44	3 87 41	5,000 00	511 08		
Charities, General Administration	-	47	273 89				
Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief	-	48	442 00	609 00		158 00	
State and Military Aid	-	48	690 00	76 00	516 00	76 00	
Education, Support of Schools	-	48	19,166 92	18,750 00	375 16		
Education, Transportation of Scholars	-	50	3,118 89	3,250 00		131 11	41 76

	50	41 25	2,000 00		20 00		44 81		53 55
Education, all other (to Incidentals)	51	2,000 00	300 00						
Support of Public Libraries	51	562 55	93 71						
Town Commons, General (balance \$168.84 to Incidentals)	51	200 00	200 00						
Town Commons, State	52	300 55	300 00						
Memorial Day	52	149 76	1,500 00						
Recreation—Labor Day and General (balance 55c. to Incidentals)	53	750 00	750 00						
Incidentals { Unclassified, \$149.76	53								
{ Town History, \$750.00	53								
{ Transfers, \$1,225.43	53								
Telephones for Individuals	54	320 44			20 00				
Cemeteries (balance \$3.10 to Incidentals)	54	86 80			286 89				53 55
Interest	55	3,791 63	3,000 00		83 70				175 65
Fire Alarm Box in Telephone Exchange	56	225 00	225 00						
Town Hall, Asbestos Curtain, etc.	56	175 00	250 00						
Fish Ways	56	195 95	200 00						
Harbor Improvement	56	2 00 00	2,000 00						
New Road from Pleasant Street	56	1,237 72	2,000 00						
New Heating and Ventilating System, Osgood School	57	9 522 55	9,650 00						
Public Service Enterprise, Post Office Building, North Cohasset (balance \$2.32 to Incidentals)	58	152 37	100 00						
Municipal Indebtedness, Temporary Loans	58	55 092 51	55,092 51						
Municipal Indebtedness, Notes from Revenue	59	66,140 00	6,070 00						
Municipal Indebtedness, Not Sinking Fund Requirements	60	101 93	101 93						
Agency, State, County and Corporation Taxes, Return of Protested Taxes and Licenses	60	16,459 74	16,021 26						
Refunds, Errors in Taxes	61	139 93							
		\$ 44 347 98	\$124,113 02		\$136,974 76		\$18,058 55		\$1,318 75
Total Cash Payments, 1911	-	\$244 347 98							
ABATEMENTS, 1911	-	2,298 13							
Abatement made, afterwards collected	-	\$ 43,646 11							
Total Orders drawn on Treasury	-	3 90							
Total receipts from Taxes	-	\$246,650 01	\$105,541 20						
Total receipts from other sources	-	-	136 974 76						
Cash balance of January 14, 1911	-	-	\$242 515 96						
	-	-	2,655 78						
Total Cash Payments (or Orders)	-	-	\$245,171 74						
BALANCE JANUARY 13, 1912	-	-	244 347 98						
Add unpaid Order	-	-	\$823 76						
Cash in Treasury January 13, 1912	-	-	400 00						
	-	-	\$1,223 76						

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE IN 1910 (and before)

Paid in 1911

Town Officers—Services of	
Town Clerk	8 20
Finance Committee—Expenses	
of 1910	148 12
Law—motor boat services \$35;	
charity case \$30.69	65 69
Police—\$16; Special, \$175.81..	191 81
Fire Department	23 25
Fire Department—Forest Fires	6 00
Inspection of Cattle and Meats	
(9 months of 1910—\$100 in	
all)	75 00
Hig' ways and Sidewalks.....	5 60
Harbor Maintenance	399 21
Cohasset Home	8 55
Outside Poor	490 00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief...	6 00
Education — Osgood School	
Fence	39 00
Recreation—Ball Fields	22 00
Refunds—Erroneous receipts of	
taxes	58 85
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	\$1547 28

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE IN 1910 (and before)

Received in 1911

Outside Poor	\$277 48
Telephones for Individuals....	2 37
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	\$279 85

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE IN 1911

Not paid Jan. 4, 1912 (of which the Town Accountant had knowledge Jan. 24, 1912.) (For detail, see various accounts.)

Town Officers	\$418 95
Town Hall	78 58
Water for Hydrants, etc.....	10 82

Police Department	77 15
Fire Department	4 16
Forest Fires	2 50
Board of Health	122 75
Fore River Bridge Maintenance (Paid Jan. 18, 1912.)....	30 00
Harbor Maintenance	10 00
Watering or Oiling Streets— 1910 and previous.....	44 50
Cohasset Home	341 74
Outside Poor	1224 65
Education—Support of Schools	112 00
Town Commons	2 30
Incidentals	4 30
Cemeteries	1 50
New Road from Pleasant street (lawsuit pending, amount problematical)	

\$2485 90

INSURANCE ON TOWN PROPERTY

to be renewed in 1912, of which the Town Accountant had knowledge, Jan. 24, 1912

Date	Amount	Property	Premium	Agent
Apr. 1	\$2500	Town Hall		P. Bates
Nov 19	\$9000 house	Cohasset Home		
Nov. 19	\$1000 barn	Cohasset Home		E. N. Tower

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE IN 1911

not received Jan. 13, 1912

Removing Ledge on Atlantic Ave, rendock,	\$12 00
Outside Poor: State Board of Charity,	131 00
Town of Hingham.....	122 50
Town of Deerfield	125 28
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	\$390 78

LIABILITIES OF COHASSET

as of Jan. 13, 1912.

Notes Payable: To	Description	Amount	Per Cent.	Due
Cohasset Free Pub- lic Library	Issue of 1904	\$3068 43	4	On Demand
Cohasset Free Pub- lic Library	Issue of 1904	4611 41	4	On Demand
Cohasset Savings Bank	Issue of 1905	4000 00	4	Dec. 16, 1912
Cohasset Savings Bank	Issue of 1905	4000 00	4	Dec. 16, 1913
		15679 84		

\$60,000 4 per cent Bonds as follows:

Due

Oct. 1, 1912	4000 00
Oct. 1, 1913	4000 00
Oct. 1, 1914	8000 00
Oct. 1, 1915.....	8000 00
Oct. 1, 1916	8000 00
Oct. 1, 1917	8000 00
Oct. 1, 1918	8000 00
Oct. 1, 1919	6000 00
Oct. 1, 1920	6000 00

Total indebtedness(Notes and
Bonds) \$75679 84

COHASSET—1911

Balance Sheet

RECEIPTS

Revenue,—

General:

Real and Pers. Taxes 1911....	\$94831 68	
Poll Taxes 1911	942 00	
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Real and Personal Taxes 1910 and previous	9329 54	
Poll 1910 and previous	437 98	
	<hr/>	9767 52
From State(see Agency)		14582 08

Licenses	67 50	
From County, Dog Licenses...	314 76	
From Court, Fines	154 01	
		<hr/> 120659 55
Commercial		\$5659 39
Offsets to Outlays		199 00
Municipal Indebtedness		115968 51
Agency, Trust, etc.—Refunds..		29 51
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Total Cash Receipts		242515 96
Balance on hand Jan. 14, 1911,..		2655 78
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GRAND TOTAL		\$245171 74

PAYMENTS

Current charges against Revenue,—		
Maintenance	\$85827 02	
Interest,	3791 63	
		<hr/> \$89618 65
Debt (notes paid from Revenue also \$60,000 paid by issue of bonds)	66000 00	
Met. Sinking Fund, Parks.....	101 93	
		<hr/> 66101 93
		<hr/> \$155720 58
Outlays		17343 17
Temporary Loans		55002 51
Agency, Trust, etc.....		16281 72
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Total Cash Payments		244347 88
Balance on hand Jan. 13, 1912..		823 76
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GRAND TOTAL		\$245171 74

Note: Outlays, to be absolutely correct, should be charged with \$400 less, award for land damage on account of building new road and not accepted (lawsuit pending) and the amount added to cash balance of Jan. 13, 1912.

FIXED PROPERTY

There should be added to the schedule given in last year's report the following Outlays, the items given being the principal ones charged to that account in 1911:

Town Survey of Private Lands	\$400 00
Town Hall, Asbestos Curtain..	175 00
Fire Dept., New Hose	700 00
Two new boxes,	169 44
Box in telephone exch.	225 00
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	1094 44
Forest Fires, new wagon....	500 00
Highways, New road....	1337 72
Highways, New walls.....	200 00
Straits Pond, new upper tide gate	395 02
Fishways(new) Dick's Mill	195 95
Harbor Improvement, dredging,	2000 00
Education, New heating system Osgood School	9522 58
Incidentals, Balance due on Genealogies	750 00
Lawrence Wharf	180 00
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	\$16750 71

CONCLUSION.

The citizens and officials of this town are to be congratulated on the excellent financial showing as evidenced in the Recapitulation of the accounts for the year, and on having the "Municipal Indebtedness" in such shape that it can and must be taken care of at stated times by appropriations for the purpose, thus gradually reducing its size. The "Balances to Treasury" for 1911 amount to \$18,058.55, against which must be reckoned, of course, balances "Over Appropriations and Receipts" and "Unpaid Bills," \$3,304.65; deducting this latter amount still leaves \$14,253.90. If this latter sum is compared with the figures presented in the report for last year (after deducting total for "Over Appropriations and Receipts" and "Unpaid Bills") it will be seen that the gain is substantial, due mainly to the fact that Corporation Tax was not heavily drawn upon during 1911. And \$5,000 of the "Balance to Treasury" in the 1910 accounts represented the sum borrowed on a note in anticipation of taxes and not repaid.

The over-drafts on appropriations (not transferred to "Incidentals") have not been many this year. The principal ones are "Moth Extermination" and "Straits Pond." The moth extermination account is thoroughly analyzed in a note at the end of the account. In regard to Straits Pond, the situation caused by an overflow of tidewaters demanded a prompt remedy, and the Selectmen decided that an upper gate to check this flow was the best thing to be done. This was essentially a matter of "protection to property," and threats of suits for damages had been made. The mistake was in not foreseeing such a condition of affairs and making an adequate appropriation.

The overdraft on "Forest Fires" account needs no excuse. Fires must be fought to protect life and property.

The attention of the officials who make up appropriations, the Finance Committee and the citizens is particularly called to the way the accounts are made up in the accountant's report. The expenses of a department should be charged to that particular department and no other. No better evidence of "how not to do it" can be given than the "Incidentals" account for this year. Of \$1,475.19, the transfers amount to \$1,325.43. In the case of the Selectmen, \$2,800 was allowed in the appropriation for "Town Officers" for their salaries; of this sum the accountant properly charged over \$260 to General Administration of the Poor. In turn, the sum of \$264.43, over-drafts on the Poor accounts, was transferred to "incidentals." Every official in the town should have his expenses charged to his department, and the appropriation should cover the total. It is simply ridiculous in the case of "Police," for instance, to provide for salaries of "Night Officers," so many at so much a night, specials and constables on police duty at so much a day, and not provide for other legitimate expenses, including lock-up, court fees, traveling expenses, police signal system, telephone service etc. And, again, \$300 was appropriated for

“Town Commons (which is a misnomer). Of what does “Town Commons” consist? The sum of \$468.84 was expended, covering work done at the Centre, the Cove, Guild Hall and Library grounds, Osgood School lawn and Billings-Pratt Park in Beechwood. The Cove Park and Billings-Pratt Park are certainly as much “Town Commons” as the park in front of the Town Hall. If the library and school would look after their own grounds it would simplify matters to some extent. If this is done provision should be made in their appropriations for the work.

The Weights and Measures Department is distinctly by itself and should be provided for. In any event towns must comply with the laws in regard to this matter. If the officials of a town do not provide for the sealing of weights and measures, for the re-weighing of loads of coal, etc., under the present laws the State authorities will prosecute the offending citizens and make it exceedingly warm for all hands. It is a condition that must be recognized and adequate provision made for the enforcement of the law. The sum of \$75 for services alone is little enough for the proper carrying on of this department annually under present requirements.

If the Selectmen are to run part of the harbor business (harbor masters, town floats, Lawrence wharf, etc.,) provision should be made for the necessary expenditures, or a fair-sized “Incidentals” appropriation will have to be made for transfers from this account and from any other account run by a department or a committee, against which charges must be made for work done ordered by the Selectmen.

As to the employment of counsel, Article 2, Section 1 of the By-Laws provides: “The Selectmen shall have authority to prosecute, defend and compromise all litigation to which the town is a party, and to appear either personally or by counsel in proceedings before any tribunal, unless it is otherwise specially ordered by the town.” From what

source was it intended to pay for such services? Corporation tax? which generally constitutes the "available funds in the treasury," or should the town pay out, say, \$500 for this purpose in some one year, perhaps, and add the amount to its indebtedness?

Special attention is called to the fine showing made by the Superintendent of the Cohasset Home this year, with a net cost of \$2,003.43 as against \$3,493.94 net for 1910, and this, too, after payment for extraordinary repairs and changes to the heating apparatus, ordered by the State Police, of \$255.17; in other words, a deduction of this amount shows the true net cost of the "Home" for 1911 to be less than \$1,750, about one-half the cost of 1910. The same number of inmates were taken care of, and it is stated they are better satisfied this year than last.

Finally, another and last word in regard to the making of appropriations. It should be remembered that now, under the present system of accounting, each balance back to treasury is plainly shown. If an appropriation is slightly over no harm is done. If the balances in the treasury amount to any considerable sum that sum can be applied to indebtedness, either directly, as in the case of the Library notes, or in the form of a sinking fund to take care of the bonds as they become due.

EDWARD L. STEVENS,

Town Accountant.

Cohasset, Jan. 12, 1912.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES FOR 1911.

	Adjusted	Sealed.	Con- demned.
Platform scales over 5000 lbs.	0	5	0
Platform scales under 5000 lbs.	0	7	0
Computing scales	3	9	0
All other scales	3	30	0
Weights (counter-balance)	6	96	0
Dry measures	0	13	1
Liquid measures	0	33	0
Milk jars	0	49	4
Linear measures	0	1	0
	12	243	5

In addition to the above the sealer has re-weighed five loads of coal during 1911, and the results have not been altogether satisfactory. Out of the five re-weighings one was found over-weight (20 lbs. in 3000 lbs.). In three of the other cases, the average under was about 10 lbs. to the ton. The remaining case was not absolutely clear, as the scales had not been balanced by the sealer before re-weighing, and allowance had not been made, the dealer claimed, for centre-pieces, chute, etc. But the under-weight was much more than it ought to have been. Prosecutions will have to be made if there is an evident intent to give short weight, and mistakes are liable to be costly to the dealer, especially if those mistakes are "short" all the time. Re-weighings should be frequently and carefully made.

At the request of a consumer, the sealer this year made some measurements to get at cubic capacity. The weighings of coal and measurements were actually made by the sealer, with the following results:—

One ton of nut coal occupies 35 cubic ft.

One ton of stove coal occupies 36 cubic ft.

One ton of egg coal occupies 36.518 cu. ft. (approximate).

Below is copy of letter received by the sealer :—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

OFFICE OF THE
COMMISSIONER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES,

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, Jan 4, 1912.

Mr. E. L. STEVENS,

Sealer of Weights and Measures,

COHASSET, MASS.

Dear Sir : I have before me report of inspections recently made in your town by an officer of this department, and I note with pleasure that a decided improvement in weights and measures matters has been made. It is reported that your work has been well performed, and I trust that your citizens will appreciate your efforts in their behalf.

Yours very truly,

DANIEL C. PALMER,

Commissioner of Weights and Measures.

The services of a sealer in this town who does the work required by the State under the laws are worth at the very lowest calculation \$75 a year, and this sum would not include services in any court case, nor the expenses of the office. The department should be run on a business basis ; say \$100 appropriated, \$75 for the sealer, as much as is necessary for expenses, and the balance to treasury. By this method "Incidentals" would not be burdened with this account, and the citizens would know exactly before hand what it would cost to run the department annually. If the services of a sealer in past years, when practically nothing was expected of him, were worth \$50 annually, under the present laws and inspections by the State, with ten times the

work expected, \$75 is a very reasonable sum ; and it is the humble opinion of the present sealer that this town cannot get a competent man, who can and will properly perform the duties expected of him, for that amount. One year's experience will teach him a lot of things in regard to the business he did not know before.

EDWARD L. STEVENS,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

TOWN OF COHASSET.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

1911.

Doings of the TOWN OF COHASSET

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

COHASSET, March 6, 1911.

At the annual meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset held this day, agreeably to a warrant duly executed and served for holding the same, the several articles contained were acted upon as follows :

Previous to taking up Article 1, the Town Clerk appointed as Tellers Henry E. Sweeney and Thomas W. Doyle. Both sworn.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Chose Harry E. Maples	70
William H. Brown	27

Art. 2. To give in their votes upon the official ballot for a Town Clerk for three years, one Selectman, one Assessor, one Overseer of the Poor for three years, a Collector of Taxes for one year, a Treasurer for one year, two members of the School Committee for three years, five Constables for one year, one Auditor for one year, one Tree Warden for one year, Highway Surveyor for one year, two members of the Finance Committee for three years, one member of the

Board of Health for three years, three Trustees of the Public Library for three years, to give in their votes upon the official ballot "No" or "Yes" upon the question "Shall sections one to fourteen inclusive of Chapter 28 of the Revised Laws, authorizing cities and towns to lay out public parks within their limits be accepted," also "No" or "Yes" upon the question "Shall licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this Town the current year."

The polls for the reception of ballots will be opened after a Moderator is chosen, and be kept open until one o'clock P. M., and for such further time as the voters present, by vote, shall determine.

The following Election Officers, who had been previously appointed by the Selectmen, were sworn by the Moderator:

John Roach, at entrance of guard rail; Abraham J. Antoine and Thomas L. Bates, ballot clerks; Henry E. Sweeney and Thomas W. Doyle, at check list at ballot-box; Herbert L. Brown, Fred C. Blossom, Andrew H. Prouty, Frank F. Martin, Jr., Thomas L. Grassie, Ezekiel L. James, Charles H. Hackett, George Jason, Jr., as election officers. The polls were, by a vote, closed at one o'clock. Ballot-box 593.

The names checked as having received ballots were 558 and 35 women ballots. The names checked as having voted were 558 and 35 special ballots. Total, 593—35 women; 558 official ballots.

The following vote was declared:

TOWN CLERK FOR THREE YEARS.

Harry F. Tilden	.	.	.	.	.	449
Richard Cadden	.	.	.	.	.	1
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	98

SELECTMEN FOR THREE YEARS.

Philander Bates	.	.	.	.	.	282
Elmer F. Olmstead	.	.	.	.	.	254
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	9

ASSESSOR FOR THREE YEARS.

Philander Bates	282
Elmer F. Olmstead	255
Blanks	21

OVERSEER OF THE POOR FOR THREE YEARS.

Philander Bates	286
Elmer F. Olmstead	251
Blanks	21

TREASURER FOR ONE YEAR.

Newcomb B. Tower	487
Blanks	71

COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR ONE YEAR.

Newcomb B. Tower	473
Blanks	85

AUDITOR.

E. L. Stevens	409
Fred Ahearn	1
Fred L. Reed	1
Blanks	147

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR FOR ONE YEAR.

George Jason	247
Henry B. Kimball	10
Arthur Mulvey	23
John L. Sullivan	83
Frank W. Wheelwright	179
Blanks	16

CONSTABLES.

John P. Antoine	161
Royal A. Bates	151
Sidney L. Beal	205
Henry E. Brennock	221
Robert L. Curtis	136

Arthur W. Flint	106
John F. Keating	155
Arthur C Litchfield	195
Louis J. Morris	224
John F. Murphy	101
Edward E. Wentworth	223
Blanks	912

TREE WARDEN.

Joseph E. Grassie	281
Henry L. McMahon	237
John Smith	1
Blanks	39

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS.

Edith M. Bates	285
Caleb Lothrop	299
George P. F. Neagle	258
John Smith	1
Blanks	343

FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS.

J. Pennington Gardiner	340
Ephraim Snow, Jr.	311
Joseph L. Leonard	1
Foster Cadose	1
Frank Grassie	1
F. F. Martin	1
George Jason, Jr.	1
Blanks	457

TRUSTEES OF COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Oliver H. Howe	352
Edith M. Bates	326
Mrs. Martha P. Howe	315
George Jason, Jr.	1
John Smith	11

H. E. Sweeney	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Jack Smith	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
M. Poland	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Foster Cadose	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Joseph Enos	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
George P. Neagle	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	660

BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THREE YEARS.

John Kennedy	.	.	.	.	.	.	179
Irving F. Sylvester	.	.	.	.	.	.	288
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	91

ACCEPTANCE OF PARK ACCOUNT.

Yes	.	.	.	.	.	.	167
No	.	.	.	.	.	.	202
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	187

LICENSE QUESTION.

Yes	.	.	.	.	.	.	159
No	.	.	.	.	.	.	348
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	51

Abraham J. Antoine and Henry E. Sweeney appointed and sworn as Tellers. Adjourned to upper hall.

Art. 3. To choose all Town Officers not required to be elected by ballot.

Voted, That the Selectmen appoint all other Town Officers.

Art. 4. To act upon the reports of the Town Accountant, Town Clerk, Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer and Collector, Treasurer of the Public Library, School Committee, Tree Warden, Superintendent of Moth Work, Auditor, Harbor Improvement Committee, Highway Surveyor, Board of Health, Board of Fire Engineers, Sealer of Weights and Measures, Directors of the Paul Pratt Memorial Library, and Finance Committee.

Voted, That the above reports be accepted as printed in Town report, except the report of Finance Committee be accepted without recommendation, and that the report of the Harbor Improvement Committee be accepted, and that the same committee serve another year, with leave to report in print in the Town's annual report.

What sum of money will the Town raise and appropriate?

Art. 5. For debt.

Voted, That the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 6. For interest.

Voted, That the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 7. For support and relief of the poor.

Voted, That the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 8. For support of schools.

Voted, That the sum of eighteen thousand seven hundred and fifty (\$18,750) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 9. For support of public libraries.

Voted, That the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 10. For highways and sidewalks.

Voted, That the sum of eleven thousand one hundred and ninety (\$11,190) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 11. For removing snow.

Voted, That the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 12. For electric lights for streets.

Voted, That the sum of six thousand seven hundred fifty (\$6,750) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 13. For transportation of scholars.

Voted, That the sum of three thousand two hundred and fifty dollars (\$3,250) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 14. For water, hydrants and public buildings.

Voted, That the sum of four thousand two hundred and five dollars (\$5,205) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 15. For watering or oiling streets.

Voted, That the sum of four thousand five hundred (\$4,500) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 16. For soldiers' and sailors' relief.

Voted, That the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) be raised and appropriated.

Voted, That the meeting be adjourned until 7.45.

Met according to adjournment.

Art. 17. For Town Officers.

Voted, That the sum of four thousand seven hundred dollars (\$4,700) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 18. For night police.

Voted, That the sum of three thousand six hundred (\$3,600) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 19. For special police.

Voted, That the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 20. For fire department.

Voted, That the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 21. For Memorial Day.

Voted, That the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 22. For military aid.

Voted, That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 23. For moth work.

Voted, That the sum of three thousand five hundred and sixty dollars (\$3,560) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 24. For printing.

Voted, That the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 25. For Inspector of cattle and meats.

Voted, That the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 26. For Town Hall.

Voted, That the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 27. For forest fires.

Voted, That the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 28. For Tree Warden.

Voted, That the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) be raised and appropriated, being understood \$250 be used spraying Elm beetle.

Art. 29. For Board of Health.

Voted, That the sum of one thousand two hundred twenty-five dollars (\$1,225) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 30. For Town Commons.

Voted, That the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) be raised and appropriated, being understood it is to be expended by the Selectmen.

Art. 31. For incidentals.

Voted, That the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,5000) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 32. For Straits Pond.

Voted, That the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 33. For Fore River Bridge.

Voted, That the sum of one hundred and twenty (\$120) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 34. Will the Town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire what money may be needed in anticipation of the taxes of the current year, to be paid as soon as money sufficient for the purpose is received?

Voted, That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money

from time to time in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate Thirty-five thousand dollars, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts, incurred under this vote to be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Art. 35. In what manner will the Town collect the taxes, and at what time shall they be paid into the treasury?

Voted, Same manner as last year.

Art. 36. What compensation will the Town allow the Collector of Taxes for the current year?

Voted, That the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) be raised and appropriated for the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the current year.

Art. 37. To hear the report of the Selectmen on guide boards and act thereon.

Voted, That the report of the Committee on Guide Boards be accepted as stated, which was that guide boards are maintained as printed in 1909.

Art. 38. To hear the report of any committee heretofore chosen or appointed.

Voted, That the Committee on Gates at Little Harbor be continued.

Voted, That the Committee on Encroachments be permitted to fill their number and continue their work.

Art. 39. Will the Town accept of a deed of land from H. W. Wadleigh, situated at the junction of Forest avenue and Jerusalem road and easterly side of said road?

Voted, That the Town accept with thanks the deed of land from Mr. Wadleigh.

Art. 40. Will the town authorize the Selectmen to sell the engines, pumps, tanks, buildings and pipes belonging to the street watering department, and as many of the water carts as are not needed for street repairing?

Voted, That the Selectmen be authorized to sell the engines, pumps, etc.

Art. 41. Will the Town accept of a road laid out by the Selectmen upon the petition of Charles S. McGaw, as per report filed with the Town Clerk, as required by law, running from Pleasant street to Smith place, or act thereon?

Voted, That the Town accept the road as laid out by the Selectmen upon the petition of Charles S. McGaw, as per report filed with the Town Clerk, as required by law, running from Pleasant street to Smith place, and built under the vote of last year, and that the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) be raised and appropriated for said purpose.

Art. 42. Will the Town fund any portion of the floating debt, or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, That sixty thousand of the demand notes of the Town, held by the Cohasset Savings Bank, be funded as follows, one note to become due each year, payable October first, for nine years :

Due October 1, 1911 . . .	\$4,000 00
Due October 1, 1913 . . .	4,000 00
Due October 1, 1914 . . .	8,000 00
Due October 1, 1915 . . .	8,000 00
Due October 1, 1916 . . .	8,000 00
Due October 1, 1917 . . .	8,000 00
Due October 1, 1918 . . .	8,000 00
Due October 1, 1919 . . .	6,000 00
Due October 1, 1920 . . .	6,000 00
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	\$60,000 00

Voted, That the Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the Town for the above amount to the lowest bidders, said notes to be non-taxable.

Art. 43. Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred and forty dollars to purchase a wagon and equipment for the Forest Department.

Voted, That the sum of three hundred and forty dollars (\$340) be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a wagon and equipment for the Forest Department.

Art. 44. Oliver H. Howe and others: Will the Town appropriate the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars to pay F. H. Gilson Co. the balance due them for the publication of "Cohasset Genealogies and Town History," the same to be refunded to the Town as copies of the book are sold, or act on anything relating thereto.

Voted, That the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) be raised and appropriated.

Art. 45. Joseph E. Grassie and others: Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred and forty-four dollars to pay the unpaid bills of the Harbor Improvement Committee, contracted in 1910, under the belief that the said sum had been appropriated and was available for the purpose — the balance for use of said committee the present year?

Voted, That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred and forty-four dollars (\$644) for the above purpose.

Art. 46. Manuel A. Grassie and others: Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred and sixty-three dollars and ninety-four cents to pay the unpaid bills of the Harbor Improvement Committee, or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, That this article be indefinitely postponed.

Art. 47 Daniel N. Tower and others: Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars for providing, placing, care, maintenance, removal, etc., of the buoys and lights in Cohasset Harbor and for other matters connected with the improvement and maintenance of said

harbor, said sum to be expended under the direction of the Harbor Improvement Committee, or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for the above purpose.

Voted, by an informal vote, That any balance of above appropriation may be used by Harbor Committee for improvements to Lawrence Wharf and Town Landing and representation at Washington.

Art. 48. Daniel N. Tower and others: Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars, to be used by the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, towards improving the channel of Cohasset harbor under the provisions of Chapter 481, Acts of 1909, provided the Harbor and Land Commissioners will expend an additional sum of money for said improvements which shall be satisfactory to the Selectmen or the Harbor Committee?

Voted, That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand (2,000) dollars for above purpose.

Art. 49. Harry E. Mapes and others: Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars for the purchase of an automobile combination chemical and hose wagon for use of the Fire Department, or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, Not to raise the above amount.

Art. 50. George P. Valine and others: Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty dollars to place and maintain an electric light on Norfolk Road, between the residences of Joseph A. Dion and George P. Valine?

Voted, That the sum of twenty dollars be raised and appropriated.

Art. 51. George W. Collier and others: Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred forty-eight dollars and twelve cents to reimburse the Finance Committee

for expenses of the year 1910, as per their annual report, or act on anything relating thereto :

Voted, That the sum of \$148.12 be raised and appropriated.

Art. 52. John W. Sidney and others : Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars to furnish music for Labor Day, or act on anything relating thereto ?

Voted, That the article be indefinitely postponed.

Art. 53. William O. Souther, Jr., and others : To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to install and maintain a fire alarm box in the Central Telephone Exchange, or act thereon.

Voted, That the sum of \$225 be raised and appropriated to install a fire alarm box in Central Telephone Exchange.

Art. 54. William O. Souther, Jr., and others : To see what action the Town will take concerning the petition of the Selectmen (House Bill 154) to change the boundary line between Cohasset and Scituate, or act thereon.

Voted, That this article be referred to Harbor Improvement Committee and Selectmen.

Voted, That this meeting be adjourned until to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock.

Met according to adjournment at Town Hall, Tuesday, March 8, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Art. 55. William O. Souther, Jr., and others : To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) for an asbestos curtain and scenery, and to provide a second means of exit from the gallery in Town Hall, to comply with the State regulations or act thereon.

Voted not to reconsider Article 18.

Vote of thanks to Finance Committee.

Article 55. Voted, That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose specified in Article 55.

Art. 56. William O. Souther, Jr., and others: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to install and maintain an electric light between the houses of Thomas Roach and S. S. Spaulding on North Main Street or act thereon.

Voted, That the sum of \$20 be raised and appropriated for the purpose specified in Art. 56.

Art. 57. William O. Souther, Jr., and others. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred (300) dollars to be expended by the Selectmen for recreation purposes, or act thereon.

Voted, That the sum of \$300 be raised and appropriated.

Art. 58. William O. Souther, Jr., and others, to see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to purchase land and remove obstruction on said land abutting on the northwesterly corner of Forest avenue and State road for the purpose of removing a dangerous corner, or act thereon.

Voted, That this article be referred to the Selectmen.

Art. 59. William O. Souther, Jr., and others: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred (200) dollars for the purpose of removing the present fish ways at the dam between Cohasset and Scituate (Dick's Mills) and erect suitable ways, or act thereon.

Voted, That the sum of two hundred dollars be raised and appropriated for above purpose.

Art. 60. S. Chester Pratt and others: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate forty (40) dollars for two additional lights on Beechwood street—one on or near the bridge at Frank Bates' river, so called, the other opposite the driveway of Edwin W. Bates, or act on anything relating thereto.

Voted, That the sum of forty dollars be raised and appropriated for above purpose.

Art. 61. Charles W. Gammons and others: To see if the Town will appropriate and raise the sum of nine thousand six hundred and fifty (9,650) dollars for the purpose of installing a heating and ventilating system in the Osgood school building.

Voted, That the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,650 for the above purpose. Unanimous vote.

Art. 62. Frank E. Salvador and others: Will the Town raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to remove part of the ledge on the westerly side of Atlantic avenue, at the corner opposite the residence of the Lothrop heirs, or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, That a sum not exceeding \$400.

Art. 63. Louis I. Goodwin and others; Will the Town instruct the Overseers of the Poor to employ an agent to investigate all applications for assistance by the Town, as recommended in the annual report of the Finance Committee, or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, That this article be indefinitely postponed.

Art. 64. Charles E. Frates and others: Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty (20) for an additional electric light in Elm court, between the residence of Mr. Frank Treat and Mrs. Charles E. Frates?

Voted, That the sum of \$20 be raised and appropriated.

Art. 65. Evan P. Wentworth and others: Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) to be used for the suppression of the illegal sale of liquor during the ensuing year, or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, That the sum of five hundred dollars be raised and appropriated for the suppression of the illegal sale of liquor and gambling the ensuing year, said money to be used under the direction of the Selectmen.

Art. 66. Darius W. Gilbert and others: Will the Town reconsider the vote passed at a Special Town Meeting, held

April, 10, 1908, whereby the Town voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 2, Section 336, of the Revised Laws?

Voted, Not to reconsider.

Art. 67. Thomas Stoddard and others : What action will the Town take in regard to increasing the pay of the night police?

Voted, That this article be indefinitely postponed.

Art. 68. Charles A. Tanger and others : Will the Town raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to clean the Town Brook to its natural depth and width from the railroad station to the Cove bridge, and stop the pollution of the brook by the sewerage from the houses bordering thereon, or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, That the article be indefinitely postponed.

Art. 69. Edward L. Stevens and others : Will the Town vote to amend the By-Laws by an addition to Section 1, Article 3, so that the whole section shall read as follows : "The financial year shall begin with the first day in January of each year and end with the last day of December in each year, and during the interval between the said first day of January and the time of making the next annual appropriations the Selectmen shall have authority to make expenditures and payments from the treasury from any available funds therein, and the same shall be charged against the said next annual appropriations, but such expenditures and liabilities incurred for any purpose shall not exceed one-fourth the entire amount appropriated for that purpose in the previous year."

Voted, That they be so amended.

Art. 70. Edward L. Stevens and others : To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint an accountant in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 624, of the Acts of 1910, and repeal the By-Laws of the Town which conflict with the provisions thereof, or act thereon.

Voted, That the Selectmen be, and hereby are authorized to appoint an accountant, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 624 of the Acts of 1910, and that Section 5 Art. 2 of the By-Laws be amended to read "The Selectmen shall appoint a competent accountant every three years," etc., in order to conform to the requirements of said Chapter 624.

Art. 71. To see if the Town will vote to abolish the office of Town Auditor, in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 624 of the Acts of 1910, or act thereon.

Voted, That the office of Town Auditor be abolished in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 624 of the Acts of 1910.

Art. 72. William O. Souther, Jr., and others: Will the Town raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to have the land bounded by the following streets surveyed, for the purpose of developing same: Said land bounded easterly by Atlantic avenue, southerly by Elm street, westerly by Highland avenue, northerly by Beach street?

Voted, That the sum of four hundred dollars be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

Art. 73. John A. Lawrence and others: To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to have the gong at the Spring street crossing abolished and the crossing properly guarded, or act thereon.

Voted, That the Town instruct the Selectmen to have the gong at the Spring street crossing abolished and the crossing properly guarded.

Voted, That the thanks of this meeting be extended to the Moderator for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over it.

Voted, That we adjourn at 10.15 P. M.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

At a special meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, held on the evening of June 15, 1911, agreeably to a warrant duly executed and served for holding the same, the several articles contained were acted upon as follows :

Previous to taking up Article 1 the Town Clerk appointed as Tellers Herbert L. Brown and Newcomb B. Tower.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Chose Harry E. Mapes as Moderator.

Art. 2. To see whether the Town in exercise of the authority granted to it by Massachusetts Acts of 1911, Chap. 457, for the purpose of paying certain outstanding notes of the town amounting to \$60,000, will vote to borrow the said sum and to issue its bonds therefor and fix the particulars of said bonds, or take any action relating thereto.

Voted, That in exercise of the authority granted to the Town by Massachusetts Acts of 1911, Chap. 457, and for the purpose of paying certain outstanding notes of the town amounting to \$60,000, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow the said sum and to issue the bonds of the Town therefor. Said bonds shall be entitled "Town of Cohasset Refunding Loan," shall be for \$1,000 each, and in coupon form, dated July 1st, 1911, payable on October 1st, four a year, 1912 and 1913, eight a year in 1914 to 1918, both inclusive, and six a year in 1919 and 1920, with interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually. The bonds shall bear the Town seal, shall be signed by the Treasurer, and countersigned by the Selectmen, and the coupons shall bear the facsimile signature of the Treasurer. The bonds shall not be obligatory for any purpose unless authenticated by the certificate of the First National Bank of Boston endorsed thereon. All particulars as to the form of issuance and sale of said bonds

shall be determined by the Treasurer and the Selectmen, but said bonds shall be offered for public sale, and shall not be sold at less than par and accrued interest.

Art. 3. Will the Town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire what additional money may be needed in anticipation of the taxes of the current year not to exceed \$25,000, to be paid as soon as money sufficient for the purpose is received?

Voted, That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year to an additional amount not exceeding in the aggregate twenty-five thousand dollars, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Voted, That this meeting be adjourned.

COHASSET, Sept. 26, 1911.

At a Primary Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, held this evening, agreeably to a warrant duly executed and served for holding the same, the following vote was declared.

Election officers who were previously appointed were sworn, and were Henry E. Brennock, Henry E. Sweeney, Abraham J. Antoine, George P. Neagle and Fred C. Blossom.

Total number of ballots cast were 120, and were for the following officers:

Republican party	81
Democratic party	39

REPUBLICAN VOTE—GOVERNOR.

Louis A. Frothingham	62
Joseph Walker	15
Norman H. White	3
Blanks	1

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Robert Luce	.	.	.	.	.	.	78
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	3

SECRETARY.

Albert P. Langtry	.	.	.	.	.	.	62
Russell A. Wood	.	.	.	.	.	.	14
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	5

TREASURER.

Elmer A. Stevens	.	.	.	.	.	.	75
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	6

AUDITOR.

Herbert W. Burr	.	.	.	.	.	.	28
John E. White	.	.	.	.	.	.	48
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	5

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

James M. Swift	.	.	.	.	.	.	72
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	9

COUNCILLOR.

Eben S. S. Keith	.	.	.	.	.	.	66
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	15

SENATOR.

Frederick M. Hersey	.	.	.	.	.	.	69
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	12

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.

Ira G. Hersey	.	.	.	.	.	.	71
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	10

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Louis E. Flye	.	.	.	.	.	.	12
John F. Merrill	.	.	.	.	.	.	50
Eugene H. Sprague	.	.	.	.	.	.	12
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	7

REGISTER OF DEEDS.

John H. Burdakin	69
Blanks	12

CLERK OF COURTS.

Louis A. Cook	68
Blanks	13

STATE COMMITTEE.

John W. Churchill	63
Blanks	18

DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION.

Eugene N. Tower	71
Edward E. Wentworth	68
Blanks	23

TOWN COMMITTEE.

Eugene N. Tower	68
Edward L. Stevens	67
Herbert L. Brown	66
Evan P. Wentworth	66
Edward E. H. Souther	67
Anselm L. Beal	67
Ephraim Snow, Jr.	63
Edward E. Wentworth	68
C. W. Gammons	1
Blanks	116

Total Democratic vote was 39 for the following officers :

GOVERNOR.

Eugene N. Foss	35
Thomas L. Hisgen	1
Blanks	3

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

David I Walsh	33
Blanks	6

SECRETARY.

Frank J. Donahue	30
Edward O. Skelton	3
Blanks	6

TREASURER.

Augustus L. Thorndike	30
Blanks	9

AUDITOR.

Charles B. Strecker	25
Blanks	14

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

George W. Anderson	19
Joseph J. Leonard	11
Blanks	9

COUNCILLOR.

Alfred E. Green	28
Blanks	11

SENATOR.

Alfred S. Burns	8
Thomas H. Buttimer	27
Blanks	4

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.

William H. Hennessy	30
Blanks	9

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Dart Daley	1
John F. Merrill	2
Louis Flye	2
George Jason	1
Blanks	33

REGISTER OF DEEDS.

S. H. Stoughton	1
Blanks	38

CLERK OF COURTS.

Blanks	39
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STATE COMMITTEE.

George M. Harlow	20
Blanks	19

DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION.

Joseph St. John	.	.	.	.	.	2
Henry E. Sweeney	.	.	.	.	.	2
Dart Dailey	.	.	.	.	.	1
Joseph J. Grassie	.	.	.	.	.	1

TOWN COMMITTEE.

Bartholomew Daly	.	.	.	.	.	19
William H. Brown	.	.	.	.	.	20
Daniel Donovan	.	.	.	.	.	17
Joseph E. Grassie	.	.	.	.	.	24
Arthur Mulvey	.	.	.	.	.	20
Cornelius Kenney	.	.	.	.	.	22
John J. Grassie	.	.	.	.	.	22
Joseph St. John	.	.	.	.	.	20
George Jason	.	.	.	.	.	2
Daniel McSweeney	.	.	.	.	.	1
John F. Murphy	.	.	.	.	.	1
Anthony Clark	.	.	.	.	.	1
James Keating	.	.	.	.	.	1
James Sullivan	.	.	.	.	.	1
John Lawrence	.	.	.	.	.	1
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	140

MILITARY DUTY.

The number of men liable to perform military duty April 1, 1911, was 344

DOGS LICENSED.

Number of dogs licensed in Cohasset from December 1, 1910, to December 1, 1911, was as follows :

Male	136
Female	19
Female (spayed)	5
Total	160

HARRY F. TILDEN,
Town Clerk.

ELECTION RECORD.

November 7, 1911.

Registered voters in Cohasset	658
Total number of ballots cast	463

GOVERNOR.

James F. Carey of Haverhill	5
Eugene N. Foss of Boston, Dem.	148
Eugene N. Foss of Boston, Dem., Pro.	34
Eugene N. Foss of Boston	23
Louis A. Frothingham of Boston	243
Dennis McGoff of New Bedford	0
Frank N. Rand of Haverhill	0
Blanks	10

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Walter S. Hutchins of Greenfield	8
Robert Luce of Somerville	259
William G. Merrill of Malden	3
Patrick Mulligan of Boston	2
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg	167
Blanks	24

SECRETARY.

David Craig of Milford	1
Frank J. Donahue of Boston.	146
Alfred H. Evans of Northampton	8
Rose Fenner of Worcester	3
Albert P. Langtry of Springfield	258
Blanks	47

TREASURER.

Joseph M. Coldwell of Milford	5
Jeremiah P. McNally of Salem	3
Charles E. Peakes of Weston	6
Elmer A. Stevens of Somerville	259
Augustus L. Thorndike of Brewster	142
Blanks	48

AUDITOR.

Karl Lindstrand of Lynn	4
Sylvester J. McBride of Watertown	3
William W. Nash of Westborough	2
Charles B. Strecker of Brookline	134
John E. White of Tisbury	259
Blanks	61

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

George W. Anderson of Boston	147
Henry C. Hess of Boston	2
George E. Roewar, Jr., of Boston	3
James M. Swift of Fall River	257
Blanks	54

COUNCILLOR.

Alfred E. Green of Duxbury	138
Eben S. S. Keith of Bourne	259
Edward Smith of New Bedford	3
Blanks	63

SENATOR.

Alfred Burns of Plymouth . . .	41
Alfred S. Burns of Plymouth . . .	96
Orion L. Griswold of Whitman . . .	5
Frederic M. Hersey of Hingham . . .	263
William P. Wright of Abington . . .	3
Blanks	63

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.

William H. Hennessy of Hingham . . .	173
Ira G. Hersey of Hingham . . .	257
Blanks	33

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Richard Cunningham of Wellesley . . .	120
Joseph L. Hawes of Braintree . . .	8
John F. Merrill of Quincy . . .	275
Blanks	60

CLERK OF COURTS.

Louis A. Cook of Weymouth . . .	318
Cornelius Sullivan of Stoughton . . .	38
Frank Oliver	1
Blanks	106

REGISTRAR OF DEEDS.

John H. Burdakin of Dedham . . .	319
Joseph Mannix	1
John Tower	1
Blanks	142

Amendment to the Constitution authorizing the use of voting machines at all elections :

Yes	236
No	51
Blanks	176

Amendment to the Constitution increasing the power of the Legislature to authorize the taking of land and property for highways or streets :

Yes	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	202
No	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	93
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	168

“Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and eleven, entitled ‘An act authorizing the counties of the Commonwealth to establish retirement systems for their employes,’ be accepted” :

Yes	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	202
No	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	81
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	180

CONVENTION OF TOWN CLERKS.

THIRD PLYMOUTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.

On the seventeenth day of November, A. D. 1911, the Town Clerks of Hingham, Cohasset and Hull, said towns comprising the Third Plymouth Representative District, assembled at the office of the Town Clerk in Hingham at 12 o'clock noon for the purpose of examining the returns of votes given in and determining who had been elected to represent said district in the General Court to be holden at Boston on the first Wednesday in January, 1912, proceeded to canvass said returns and found the ballots given in for the several candidates to be as follows :

	Hingham.	Cohasset.	Hull.	Total.
William H. Hennessey of Hingham	411	173	72	656
Ira G. Hersey of Hingham	444	257	178	879
Blanks	17	33	17	67
	872	463	267	1,602

It appearing that Ira G. Hersey of Hingham had received a plurality of the votes given in, a certificate of election was issued to him.

FRED H. MILLER,

Town Clerk of Hingham.

HARRY F. TILDEN,

Town Clerk of Cohasset.

JAMES JEFFREY,

Town Clerk of Hull.

SPECIAL MEETING.

COHASSET, December 2, 1911.

At a special meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, held this evening agreeably to a Warrant duly executed and served for holding the same, the several articles contained were acted upon as follows :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Previous to taking up Article 1, the Town Clerk appointed Edgar W. Bates and Frank F. Martin, Jr., as Tellers.

Chose Harry E. Maples as Moderator.

Art. 2. Will the Town appropriate a sufficient sum of money to pay the balance due for extra dredging in the harbor during 1911, according to the Acts of 1909, Chapter 481, on act or anything relating thereto?

Voted, Not to appropriate the above amount for dredging.

Art. 3. Will the Town vote to hold the annual Town election for officers the first Monday in March, and the annual meeting for the transaction of Town business, under the articles inserted in the annual Warrant, on the second Monday in March, or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, That the annual Town meeting be held as stated in the article, that the polls be opened for the election of officers at 6 A. M. and held open until 4 P. M.

Business meeting to be opened at 10 A. M. on the second day.

Art. 4. Will the Town instruct the Selectmen to pay for the investigation of the electric wires in Cohasset from the Corporation Tax of 1911, or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, That the Selectmen be authorized to pay the sum of three hundred and forty-eight dollars from the Corporation Tax received during 1911 for the investigation of the electric wires in Cohasset ordered by the Selectmen in 1911, and the Selectmen be instructed to have a sufficient number of copies printed and sent to each taxpayer.

Voted, That this meeting be adjourned.

HARRY F. TILDEN,

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE EN- CROACHMENTS ON PUBLIC LANDS OR HIGHWAYS.

This Committee was originally appointed by the Moderator upon vote at the annual meeting in March, 1910. One of its members left town some months after, and has not been seen here since. At the annual meeting in March, 1911, it was voted to continue the Committee, or what was left of it.

During 1911 action has been taken on two cases of encroachment on the State Highway, both matters being taken up with the Massachusetts Highway Commission. The first case taken up was in July, and was that of a fence running at right angles with, and intersecting North Main street, in front of the residence of Thomas Curtiss. The Highway

Commission referred the matter to their division engineer, but, before action was taken, the owner of the premises removed the fence. There is also a cellar within this location, extending under the State Highway, but as far as this Committee knows, nothing has been done toward filling up the excavation.

The other case was that of a hedge in front of the estate of Richard T. Green, North Main street (formerly the premises of Charles Bates). In answer to a letter, the Highway Commission wrote: "The Commission has had the matter investigated by the chief engineer, who reports that Mr. Green's hedge is so located that he encroaches upon the State Highway layout, the encroachment varying from 8 to 15 feet." This hedge is still an encroachment, nothing having been done towards its removal up to the time of this report; perhaps because of the lateness of the season when the matter was taken up (November). This matter should be taken up again in the spring, and further action taken.

Other encroachments in various parts of the Town have been reported, upon which no action has been taken as yet, as it will involve usually expense for surveys to locate bounds, etc.

A series of alleged encroachments has been called to the attention of the Committee, on Jerusalem Road, in the vicinity of Spaulding's Hill. This road was laid out by the County Commissioners in 1867, and, it is understood, private surveys have since been made. Article 25 of the Warrant for the annual meeting in March, 1910, was in effect, "Will the Town vote to instruct its Highway Surveyor to clear away encroachments and obstructions, etc., on this hill"? and it was voted, "That the Highway Surveyor, *in his discretion*, shall expend a portion of the highway appropriation for the purposes stated, and build the road, *in his discretion*, to its extreme". The Highway Surveyor did nothing, because upon investigation (he states) he found it would be a

very expensive job, and the Committee understands he has made recommendations in regard to this matter in his report this year.

Finally, it is the opinion of the remaining two members of this Committee that the Highway Surveyor, under statute law, has full charge of investigations of encroachments on public ways, with full authority to have surveys made and bounds located, and, therefore, as far as public ways are concerned, it is not necessary for any committee to interfere with his duties. This Committee, in view of the above, respectfully asks that it may be discharged.

DANIEL N. TOWER,

EDWARD L. STEVENS,

Committee.

Cohasset, Jan. 26, 1912.

List of Marriages, Births and Deaths—Registered in Cohasset During the Year 1911.

MARRIAGES.

DATE.	NAME	RESIDENCE.	WHERE AND BY WHOM MARRIED.
Jan. 1	Nathan Otis Oakman Clara Redsell	Hanover Hanover	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Howard K. Bartow.
Jan 25	Cornelius F. O'Brien Margaret Elizabeth Dalton	Cohasset Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Charles F. Donahue.
Feb. 20	Frank Louis Rosenberg Emma Jane Curtis	Roxbury Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Patrick H. Riley.
March 1	Charles Eugene Nott, Jr. Lulu Belle Dyer	Cohasset Winthrop	Married at Winthrop by Rev. A. Irvine Innes.
March 19	Clarence E. E. Freeman Edith L. Sidney	Boston Cohasset	Married at Boston by Rev. Charles L. Page.
March 25	Charles H. Williams, Jr. Gertrude May Yorke	Cohasset Chelsea	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. B. McAllister.
April 17	John William Dolan Elizabeth Jane Smith	Cohasset Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Brogan.
April 20	Edwin Gny Craven Mary E. Sullivan	Cohasset Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Brogan.
June 1	William J. McLaughlin Dora Clifton Bates	Newton Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Charles F. Donahue.
June 1	Thomas James Hill Genevieve McMahon	Scituate Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Charles F. Donahue.
June 3	Albert Gardner Mason Caroline Humphrey Gay	Mattapoisett Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Charles E. Park.
June 14	Silas George Wiseman Marion Franklin Beal	Boston Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Cecil Harper.
June 20	John R. Chapin Margaret De Ford	Jamaica Plain Brookline	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Howard K. Bartow.
June 25	Edwin Percy Merrill Effie Gertrude Thayer	Jefferson, N. H. Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Howard K. Bartow.

Aug. 18	Foster Cadose	Cohasset	Married at Boston by George M. Young (Justice of the Peace).
Sept. 1	Margaret Farrell	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Howard K. Bartow.
Sept. 11	Jesse Dwight Sallee	Melrose	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Sept. 11	Mary Ellen Clapp	Melrose	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Charles E. Park.
Sept. 16	John E. Sweeney	Hyde Park	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Howard K. Bartow.
Sept. 16	Mary E. Dowd	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Sept. 21	Francis H. Burrage	Boston	Married at Cohasset by Rev. George R. Locke.
Sept. 21	Marian Otis Gay	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Oct. 1	Walter W. Jones	Scituate	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Oct. 1	Mabel L. Litchfield	Scituate	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Oct. 1	William T. Murphy	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Oct. 1	Delia O'Malley	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Oct. 1	Harry C. Whipple	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Oct. 1	Mary E. Ainslee	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Oct. 30	John J. Burke	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Oct. 30	Agnes W. Greeley	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Oct. 31	William M. Manley	Scituate	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Nov. 1	Hannah Kennedy	Scituate	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Nov. 1	William Mackie	Boston	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Nov. 1	Annie A. Manning	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Nov. 22	Frederick E. Ahearn	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Charles F. Donahue.
Nov. 29	Mary W. Mulligan	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Howard K. Bartow.
Nov. 29	Robert J. Clark	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Charles F. Donahue.
Dec. 2	Tammy Smith	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Charles F. Donahue.
Dec. 2	Manuel A. Grassie	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Dec. 2	Julia Lillian Lee	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Dec. 2	John Connery	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Dec. 2	Mary Moriarty	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Dec. 16	Henry Appleton Knowles	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Dec. 16	Alice Gregory Newhall	Jamaica Plain	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Dec. 27	James Wilson	Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.
Dec. 27	Elizabeth McLeod	Brookline	Married at Cohasset by Rev. F. A. Bro- gan.

Twenty-seven marriages were registered in Cohasset as per above list, of which twenty-one were solemnized in this town. Twelve grooms and eighteen brides were residents of Cohasset.
/ HARRY F. TILDEN, Town Clerk.

BIRTHS, 1911.

DATE.	NAME.	PARENTS NAME.	MOTHERS' M. N.	PLACE OF BIRTH.
Jan. 4	Sarah Woodward Bates	Samuel and Velma	Brown	Cohasset
Jan. 11	William Wood Cogill, Jr.	William and Lillian	Bates	"
Jan. 12	Abigail Katherine Poland	Michael and Abby	Coffey	"
Jan. 28	Alice Cecelia Munnis	John and Ellen	Lahiff	"
Jan. 28	Edith Abbott Hyland	Edwin and Clara	Stoddard	"
Jan. 31	Cyril Joseph Donovan	Joseph and Katherine	Manning	"
Feb. 23	Nathan Warren Bates	Walter and Mary	Maxwell	"
Feb. 24	Wilma Margaret Tower	Thomas and Marie	Duncanson	"
Mar. 5	Velma May Peterson	Arne and May	Enos	"
Mar. 14	Charles Francis Lincoln	Harry and Marietta	Bennett	"
Mar. 16	Rosa Etta Genor	Ernest and Elizabeth	Moody	"
April 3	Willie Everett Levangie	William and Maggie	Frazer	"
April 9	Herbert Towle Leighton	Robert and Hester	Towle	"
April 14	Ralph Spaulding Sidney	John and Fannie	Harvey	"
May 11	John Herbert Dean	Dudley and Kate	Reynolds	"
May 20	William Elliot Stover	Charles and Lillie	Rooney	"
May 30	William Gordon Tucker	William and Lulu	Griffin	"
June 19	— Watt	John and Harriet	Root	"
June 19	James Frederick Spellman Naun	George and Rosa	Ahern	"
July 5	Mary Gladys Silva	Manuel and Mary	Faria	"
July 6	Samuel Bartow	Howard and Florence	Cragin	"
July 18	Owen Thng	Arthur and Mary	Manning	"
July 19	George Howe Smith	John and —	Connolly	"
July 22	Mary Elizabeth Hillis	Alexander and Roberta	Eddy	"
July 29	Jerome Currier Lincoln	Elijah and Ellen	Carlson	"
July 30	Stella Nancy Stranahan	Robert and Agnes	McCall	"
Aug. 2	Joseph Edison Wood	Arthur and Grace	Butman	"
Aug. 14	— Maria Polito	Gregoria and Theresa	Masse	"
Aug. 17				

Aug. 17	Dorothy Helene Gillis	Daniel and Julia	Brown	Cohasset
Aug. 26	Emma Jane Elizabeth McLeod	Norman and Emma	Morrison	"
Aug. 27	Mary Magdalene McLellan	John and Mary	McNeil	"
Aug. 31	James Elsworth McKenzie	Simon and Sarah	Beal	"
Sept. 2	Constance Woodman Peterson	Augustus and Miriam	Treat	"
Sept. 5	Olive Pratt	Minot and Carrie	Walsh	"
Sept. 8	Florence Cecila Ayers	Thomas and Ellen	Prendergast	"
Sept. 17	Julia Anna Figueroa	Antone and Mary	Silvia	"
Sept. 18	Loretta Regina Barberick	Grover and Genevieve	MacDonald	"
Sept. 21	Elsie Maria Sargent	Herbert and Ida	Rushlow	"
Oct. 2	Sally Nichols Towle	Odin and Anna	Kimball	"
Oct. 11	Anthony Silvia	Antoine and Lucy	McPhee	"
Nov. 1	Walter Edward McAuliffe	Michael and Margaret	O'Connor	"
Nov. 3	Ralph Pratt Manchester	Harold and Sarah	Robertson	"
Nov. 6	Margaret Elizabeth Silvia	Alfred and Mae	Munn	"
Dec. 8	Francis Joseph Cassidy	William and Bridget	Ryan	"
Dec. 15	Alice Lydia Ellsworth	Henry and Jeanette	Watson	"
Dec. 22	John Edmund Dolan	John and Elizabeth	Smith	"
Dec. 24	Albert Roser Mellow	Frank and Mary	Elite	"
BIRTHS, 1910.				
May 20	Geoffrey Whitney Lewis, Jr.	Geoffrey and Edith	Lincoln	Brookline
June 4	Walter Augustus Silvia	Antoine and Lucy	McPhee	Cohasset
June 16	Vivyan Sears	William and Martha	Jolliffe	"
Oct. 14	Walter Joseph Fararia	Joseph and Mary	Finnads	"

The above list contains the names of the forty-eight babies born in Cohasset in 1911, of which twenty-five were male and twenty-three were female, with parentage as follows: American father and mother, 19; American father and foreign mother, 9; foreign father and American mother, 7; foreign father and mother, 13.

HARRY F. TILDEN, *Town Clerk.*

DEATHS, 1911.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.		CAUSE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF DEATH.
		73	8		
Jan. 13	Mary Murphy	73	8	Influenza	Cohasset
Feb. 2	Edith Abbott Hyland		3	Congenital malformation of heart	"
Feb. 7	David Franklin Richards	17	11	Rupture or perforation of left lung	"
Feb. 12	Priscilla V. Prouty	87	10	Arterio sclerosis	Everett
Feb. 20	Daniel Golden	58	1	Cerebral hemorrhage	Cohasset
Feb. 22	Ellen Downs	70	8	Bright's disease	"
Feb. 25	Henry Beals Bates	32	10	Hereditary spastic spinal paralysis	"
Mar. 3	Charles Eugene Nott	51	28	Bright's disease	"
Mar. 20	Philo Fisher Bristol	3	10	Inf'c've endocarditis, cerebr'l emb'l's	"
Mar. 26	John Martin Damon	71	11	Cerebral hemorrhage	"
April 11	Horace J. Damon	79	1	Cerebral hemorrhage	"
April 13	Ethel Louise Litchfield	2	6	Convulsions, syncope	"
April 20	Liza Steele	47	7	Syncope	"
May 4	Beatrice Rose Neagle		8	Pneumonia	"
June 3	Manuel Quail Silvia	81	2	Bronchitis	"
July 11	Harriet E. Couillard	73	3	Chronic heart disease	Braintree
July 12	Cordelia Souther Burbank	84	9	Cerebral hemorrhage	Cohasset
July 17	Daniel Driscoll	65		Acute nephritis	Cohasset
July 17	George Kimball Nickerson	74	6	Cancer of liver	Carney Hosp Boston
July 18	Dorothy Howe	19	10	Anterior poliomyelitis	"
July 20	Owen Thyng		9	Malformation of head and heart	"
July 22	Rose C. Nolan	56	1	Diabetes melites and syncope	"
July 28	George W. Morse	44	5	Intern'l hemorrhage, fracture liver	"
July 29	Mary Ann Prescott	86	2	Bright's disease	"
July 31	Mary Russo	2	3	General tuberculosis	"
Aug. 3	George Robert Higgins		10	Cholera infantum	"
Aug. 3	Margaret Anstice Manning	26	11	Typhoid fever	"
Aug. 3	Ralph Spaulding Sidney		3	General septic infection	"

Aug. 3	Frederick Williams	1	6	Intestinal indigestion	Cohasset
Aug. 5	Jeanette Farnsworth	6	6	Acute embolism of heart	"
Aug. 9	Edward Mulligan	6		Pneumonia	"
Aug. 20	Enphemia Smith	48	10	Carcinoma of liver	Boston
Aug. 22	Jessie Pauline Stewart	1	4	General tuberculosis	Cohasset
Sept. 8	Jennie Calvi	2	14	Diarrhœa	"
Sept. 16	Isaac W. Beal	75	9	Intestinal nephritis	"
Sept. 20	Arthur Eugene Enos	21	8	Fracture of liver caused by a fall	"
Sept. 21	Mariannette Pratt Collier	56	2	Cancer of lung	"
Sept. 23	Elsie May Wheelwright	21	2	Chlorsis	"
Oct. 7	Mary Josephine Grassie	46		Cancer of breast, lungs, stomach	"
Oct. 19	Clara Jones	90		Syncope	"
Oct. 19	Amanda Ophelia Williams	78	3	Chronic nephritis	"
Nov. 1	Delia Louise Stover	9	1	Accidental burns	"
Nov. 17	Andrew J. Arnold	81	4	Arteria sclerosis	"
Nov. 25	Ida Bates	47	8	Homicide	"
Dec. 3	Elmer Francis Olmstead	50	3	Acute Bright's disease	Weymouth
Dec. 8	Robert Titus Burbank	84	6	Senility	Cohasset
Dec. 9	William Aher Sherry	75	11	Heart disease	"
Dec. 19	John Dolan	66	10	Tonsillitis	"
Dec. 23	Francis Cary Tower	66	10	Uremia	"

The above list contains forty-nine names, and includes five who have died in other places and were brought here for burial.

Of the forty-four who died in this town, twenty-three were males and twenty-one were females, and their average age was 40 years 9 months 9 days.

Thirteen were under 5 years, one between 5 and 10, two between 10 and 20, three between 20 and 30, one between 30 and 40, three between 40 and 50, five between 50 and 60, two between 60 and 70, eight between 70 and 80, five between 80 and 90, and one 90 years of age.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE SELECTMEN.

Together with the Reports of the
ASSESSORS, OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, TOWN
TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1911.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

The Selectmen would respectfully call the careful attention of the taxpayers and voters to the several reports of Town Accountant, Town Clerk, Selectmen, all committees and officers having in charge the expenditures of the appropriations for the year ending December 31, 1911.

Your Selectmen, believing the building of the new road accepted by the town at its last annual meeting leading from Pleasant street to Smith place through land owned by Matthew Mulhern was left in their charge, have caused said road to be built at an expense of \$34.75 for surveying and plan, \$777.27 for labor, teams, stone and gravel, \$125.70 for fencing, award to Mr. Mulhern for land, the sum of \$400; total expenditures, \$1,337.72.

Mr. Mulhern, not being satisfied with the award, has commenced suit against the town for damages, as he desires to have the amount determined by a jury. The Selectmen, therefore, ask that the amount unexpended of the appropriation of \$2,000 remain in the treasury subject to their order until the matter is settled.

A detailed statement of the above expenditure may be found in the report of the Town Accountant.

There seems to be quite a misunderstanding as to the intent of the Selectmen regarding the extra dredging done in the harbor this year. We would like to say that your rights were not usurped and that no statute was violated. But that your Selectmen had personally guaranteed the amount expended for the extra dredging and that the same was paid to the Commonwealth the Monday following the special

meeting. We are very sorry the Finance Committee did not investigate the conditions more carefully. The Town received about \$7,000 worth of dredging for the \$2,123.45 outlay which the Selectmen personally guaranteed.

Your Selectmen had in mind the endless source of income the Town would derive from the dredging done in Cohasset Harbor, from the yachting facilities and the fishing industry. Previous to 1910 Cohasset Harbor was comparatively useless for yachting purposes. If this work had not been done when the opportunity presented itself it doubtless never would have been done. The map of the harbor accompanying this annual report will show the great advantages at present.

PHILANDER BATES,

HERBERT L. BROWN,

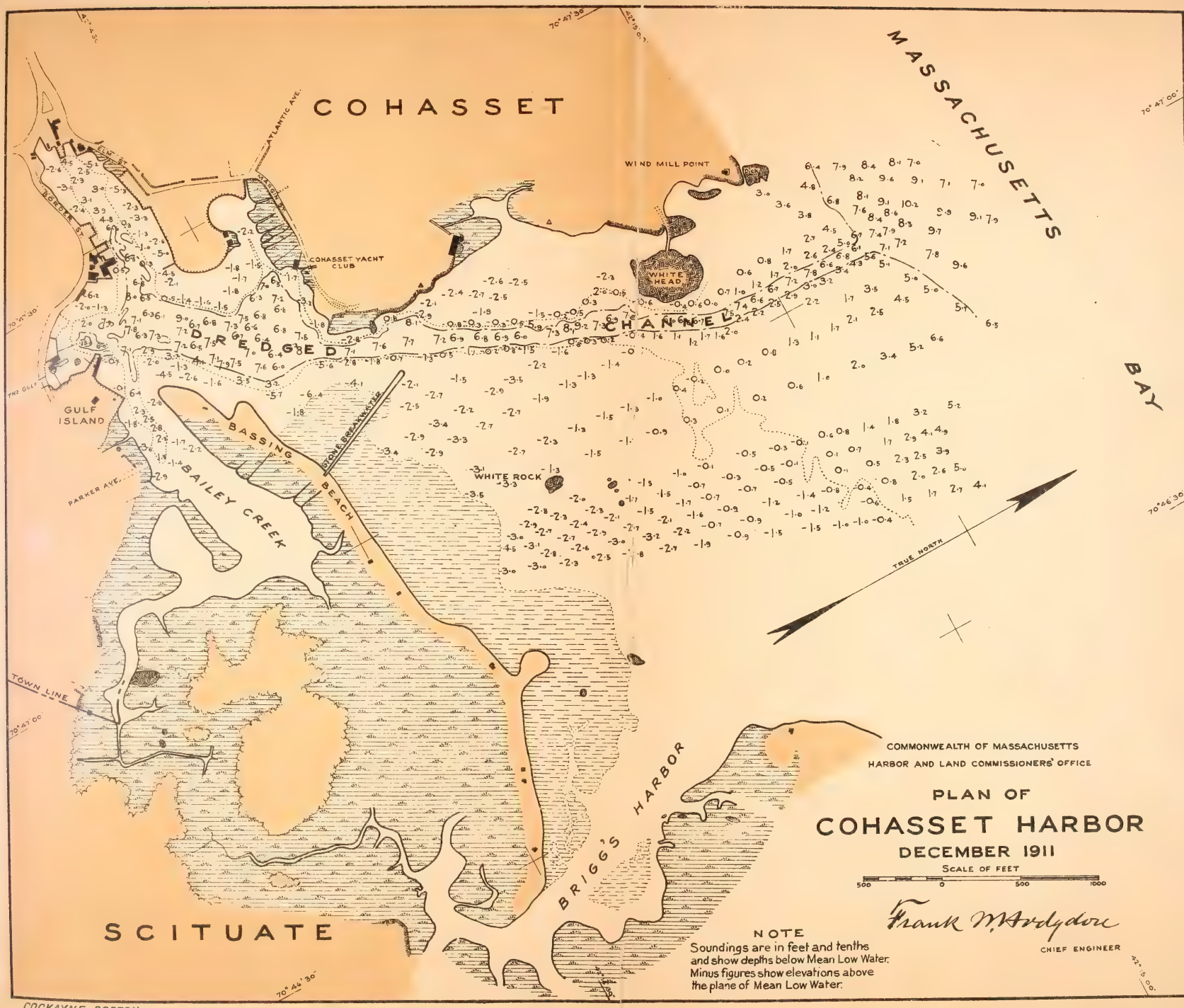
WILLIAM O. SOUTHER, JR.

Selectmen of Cohasset.

LIST OF JURORS.

As prepared by the Selectmen in accordance with the revised laws :

NAME.	OCCUPATION.	STREET.
Harry C. Bates,	laborer,	Cedar
Franklin Beal,	farmer,	Hull
B. Preston Clark,	trustee,	Atlantic ave.
Charles H. Hackett,	millor,	Beechwood
Joseph St John,	grocer,	South Main
Joseph Jason,	pilot,	Elm
Fred G. James,	laborer,	King
Samuel F. James,	carpenter,	King
Thomas W. Doyle,	station agent,	South Main
Elijah F. Lincoln,	laborer,	Beechwood





Harry W. Lincoln,	painter,	South Main
Arthur Mulvey,	innholder,	Forest ave.
Benjamin F. Morse,	laborer,	North Main
Andrew H. Prouty,	laborer,	Pleasant
Samuel E. Pratt,	farmer,	Beechwood
Edgar J. Pratt,	plumber,	Ripley road
August F. B. Peterson,	real estate agent,	Sohier
George H. Stevens,	insurance,	South Main
George F. Sargent, Jr.,	painter,	Beechwood
Ephraim Snow, Jr.,	broker,	Highland ave.
Henry E. Sweeny,	farmer,	Bow.
Edward C. Tower,	cushion maker,	South Main
Manuel P. Valine,	night police,	Stockbridge
Frank W. Wheelwright,	farmer,	Beechwood
James A. Washington,	porter,	North Main
Charles Wilson,	laborer,	South Main

LIST OF JURORS DRAWN.

March 16, 1911. Ellery C. Bates, Grand Juror.
 March 23, 1911. Herbert A. Tilden, Superior Court.
 Sept. 1, 1911. John H. Wilbur, Superior Court.
 Sept. 21, 1911. Charles Silvia, Superior Court.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

The undersigned, Assessors of the town of Cohasset, herewith present a statement of their work for the year ending December 31, 1911.

Our tax rate has been increased this year on account of a larger amount assessed. Last year the amount assessed was \$90,491.25. This year we assessed \$121,351.36, an increase of \$30,860.11 over last year. Had our valuation remained the same as in 1909 our rate for 1911 would have been \$17 per thousand. If the town had raised and appropriated the same amount in 1911 as it did in 1910 our tax rate for 1911 would have been \$9.50 per thousand.

We call your attention to this fact—that, to have a low tax rate, appropriations must be kept down to the lowest possible amount.

TABLE OF AGGREGATES.

Valuation of real estate, April 1, 1910	\$4,273,935 00
Valuation of personal estate, April 1, 1910	4,627,790 00
Total valuation	<u>\$8,901,725 00</u>
Valuation of real estate, April 1, 1911	4,382,233 00
Valuation of personal estate, April 1, 1911	5,610,536 00
Total valuation	<u>\$9,992,769 00</u>
Increase in real estate, 1911	108,298 00
Increase in personal estate, 1911	982,746 00
Total increase	<u>\$1,091,044 00</u>
Number of polls, April 1, 1911,	719

State tax	\$10,945 00
Metropolitan tax	195 64
Highway tax	114 00
County tax	5,076 26
Town grant	107,782 12

\$124,113 02

Amount available in treasury	8,000 00
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\$116,113 02

Overlayings	5,238 34
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Amount assessed	\$121,351 36
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Amount assessed, December, 1911 :

Personal estate	2,505,750 00
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Tax rate, per 1,000	12 00
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Number of persons assessed	1,332
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Number of persons assessed on property	949
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Number of persons assessed on poll tax only	383
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Number of dwellings assessed, 1911	728
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Number of horses assessed, 1911	298
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Number of cows assessed, 1911	190
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Number of neat cattle assessed, 1911	26
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Number of swine assessed, 1911	8
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Number of fowl assessed, 1911	615
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Number of acres of land assessed, 1911	580,878
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Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT L. BROWN,

PHILANDER BATES,

WILLIAM O. SOUTHER, JR.,

Assessors.

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Due from the Commonwealth for	
State and military aid . . .	\$516 00
Due from Commonwealth for as-	
sistance rendered Mrs. Manuel	
Sousa	131 00
Town of Hingham	122 50
Town of Deerfield	125 28
Julia A. Glynn	21 00
Town wharf	2,000 00
Four water carts	600 00
Odorless excavator	150 00
Road machine	200 00
Steam roller and building .	1,500 00
Stone roller	25 00
Cohasset home and land . .	25,000 00
Balance in treasury . . .	25,391 20
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	\$55,781 98

TOTAL INTEREST BEARING DEBT.

Funded debt	\$60,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank . . .	8,000 00
Cohasset Free Public Library .	7,679 84
Two demand notes :	
Due Billings-Pratt, Park Billings	
Fund, Beechwood	1,000 00
Due Town Common, Billings Fund	1,150 00
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	\$77,829 84
Total interest bearing debt . .	77,829 84
Deduct assets	55,781 98
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Actual debt	\$22,047 86

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The cost of assistance rendered to outside poor and to those in the Cohasset Home shows a decided decrease over last year. This is owing to the efficient management of the Cohasset Home. Although the number of inmates at the Home is the same as last year the expense of running it is about one-half of that of last year. The net cost of running the Home for 1910 was \$3,493.94; the net cost for 1911 was \$2,003.34. This last figure includes the extraordinary expense of repairs on the heating plant, required by the State, of \$255.17. Deducting this amount the true net cost of the Home was \$1,748.26, against \$3,493.94 for 1910. The present superintendent took charge of the Home in November, 1910. The inmates of the Home have received the very best of treatment, and the Overseers of the Poor invite any interested citizen of Cohasset to visit the Home any Wednesday.

The aid rendered to the poor outside of the Cohasset Home this year amounted to \$4,530.98. The sum of \$378.78 is receivable from outside towns, making the net amount of cost for assistance rendered to those having a legal residence in Cohasset \$4,152.20, an expenditure of \$359.67 more than in 1910 for outside assistance rendered. The total net cost of assistance rendered for 1910 was \$7,286.47. The total net amount for 1911 (not including work on heater) was \$6,279.24, or \$1,007.23 less than in 1910. The amount recommended by the Finance Committee of \$5,000, being \$3,000 less than previous years, was not sufficient to properly care for the needy poor. There are bills amounting to \$1,566.39 yet to be paid. From this amount should be deducted bills receivable amounting to \$378.78 from other towns. Although the statutes give the Overseers of the Poor the authority to properly care for the destitute, they have administered the relief as considerably as possible.

The board feels that a proper amount should be raised and appropriated to properly care for the poor. It does not seem wise to be left at the end of the year with an insufficient amount to pay for necessary relief. It only burdens the town with extra expense for the succeeding year, which is not a businesslike method for municipalities to pursue.

WILLIAM O. SOUTHER, JR.,
PHILANDER BATES,
HERBERT L. BROWN,

Board of Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER AND COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

1911. TOWN OF COHASSET in account with
Newcomb B. Tower, Treasurer and Collector.

DR.

To paid Cohasset Savings Bank, 1 note, issue of 1905, due in 1911	\$4,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, 1 Almshouse demand note	14,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, 3 demand notes of \$3,000 each, issue of 1906	9,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, 1 demand note, issue of 1908	6,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, 1 demand note, issue of 1908	5,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, 1 demand note, issue of 1909	6,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, 1 demand note, issue of 1909	5,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, 1 demand note, issue of 1909	12,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, 1 demand note, issue of 1910	5,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, 1 time note for money hired in anticipation of 1911 taxes	6,000 00
Rockland Trust Co., 4 time notes for money hired in anticipation of 1911 taxes	50,000 00
Interest	2,794 14
Support of schools	19,166 92
Conveyance of pupils	3,118 89

Treasurer of the Commonwealth, Town's appropriation for the improvement of the harbor	\$2,000 00
Harbor improvements, etc., made under local supervision	1,360 27
Maintenance of the Fire Department	3,511 59
Highways and Sidewalks	11,808 26
Heating and ventilating apparatus, Os-good School	9,522 58
Public Libraries, Town's appropriation	2,000 00
Electric lights for streets	6,823 65
Water for hydrants and public buildings	3,998 75
Memorial Day appropriation	200 00
Extermination of gypsy and brown-tail moths	7,006 30
Night and special police	4,607 46
Support of poor	6,058 96
New road off Pleasant Street	1,337 72
Removing snow	699 39
Town officers	5,557 60
Town's appropriation for balance due for printing and binding Genealogical Histories	750 00
Board of Health	663 45
State and Military Aid	690 00
Soldiers' Relief and Town Aid	442 00
Sundry orders of the Selectmen for other expenditures as set forth in the report of the Accountant	30,532 08
Balance :	\$246,650 01
Uncollected 1910	
taxes	\$235 40
Uncollected 1911	
taxes	24,245 81
	<u>\$24,481 21</u>

Uncollected 1911 moth work bills . . .	86 23	
	<hr/>	24,567 44
Cash on hand and on deposit		823 76
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		\$272,041 21

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By balance in Treasury from former account	\$13,682 99
One supplementary 1910 poll tax, assessed	2 00
One abated 1910 tax, collected . . .	3 90
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, additional Corporation tax, public service, for 1910	351 13
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, additional National Bank tax, for 1910 . . .	140 49
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, support of sick paupers	137 60
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, tuition of children	20 00
Town of Deerfield, Overseers of the Poor, 1910 account	161 73
Town of Hingham, Overseers of the Poor, 1910 account	115 75
Treasurer of Historical Committee, for books sold	20 00
Proceeds of sales of lots in Woodside Cemetery	83 70
Sundry persons, N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.'s bills	266 89
Sundry persons, Auctioneers' licenses . . .	6 00
Sundry persons, Slaughter licenses . . .	4 00
Sundry persons, Junk Dealers' licenses . . .	45 00
Board of Health, for Milk licenses issued	4 00

One swill and piggery license	\$ 8 50
Adams & Co., Boston, 60 \$1,000 4 per cent. coupon bonds, dated July 1, 1911, issued agreeably to a vote of the town at a special meeting held June 15, 1911	60,000 00
Premium and accrued interest on above bonds	979 33
Sundry persons, for use of steam roller .	390 25
Sundry persons, on Highway account .	153 60
Sundry persons, for portions of street watering plant sold at auction . . .	179 00
City of Brockton, reimbursement on Overseers of the Poor 1911 account .	75 00
For board of sundry persons at Cohasset Home	160 00
Alfred Beal, rent of room for North Cohasset Post Office	100 00
Ladies' Charitable Society, for rent of small lower room in Town Hall . . .	24 00
East Norfolk District Court, fines, fees, etc.	154 01
Sundry persons, private bills for moth work performed	207 00
Bay State Dredging Co., for damage to buoys	20 00
Redemption of certain land title, with \$1 fee, for woodland sold at Tax Collector's sale	16 18
N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad Co., for tarvia, sand and labor expended on depot avenue	35 00
Cohasset Water Co., use of fire hose .	14 00
One night's lodging of inmate at lock-up,	1 00
Ephraim Snow, janitor, income from Town Hall	393 75

Thomas L. Bates, Chief of Police, collections on police account	\$24 00	
Fees, under Chapter 490, Acts of 1909	3 00	
Philander Bates, guardian, on account of Julia A. Glynn	21 00	
Cohasset Home, sales of produce, etc.	123 45	
Rockland Trust Co., Note No. 1, dated March 10, 1911, for 5 months at 3.15 per cent. \$10,000 00		
Less discount	182 87	
		9,817 13
Rockland Trust Co., Note No. 2, dated April 14, 1911, for 7 months at 3.35 per cent. \$15,000 00		
Less discount	298 68	
		14,701 32
Rockland Trust Co., Note No. 3, dated May 23, 1911, for 6 months, at 3.30 per cent. \$10,000 00		
Less discount	167 75	
		9,832 25
Rockland Trust Co., Note No. 4, dated June 21, 1911, for 6 months, at 3.45 per cent. \$15,000 00		
Less discount	254 44	
		14,745 56
Cohasset Savings Bank, Note No. 5, dated August 9, 1911, for 5 months, at $3\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. 6,000 00		
Less discount	93 75	
		5,906 25

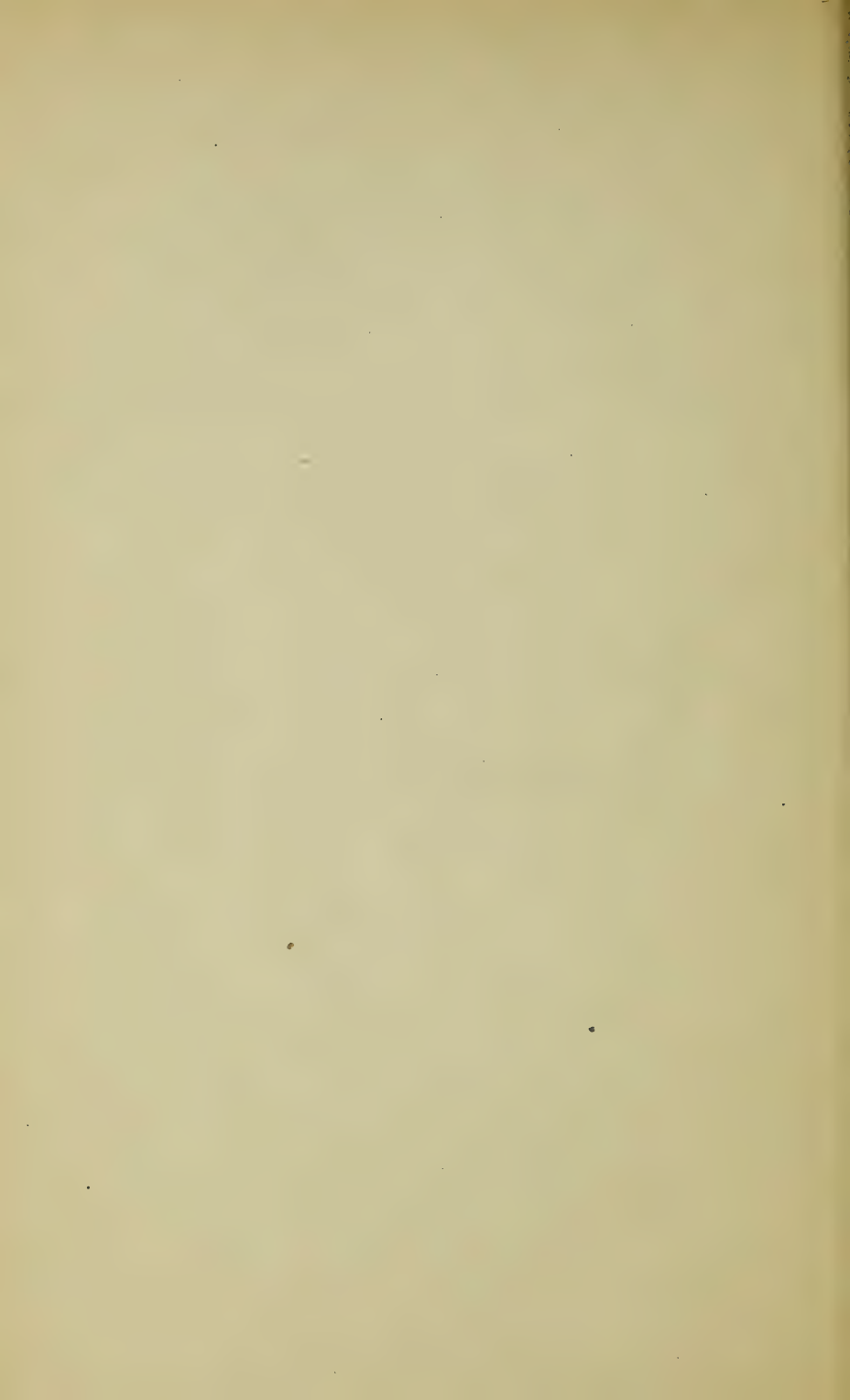
Commonwealth of Massachusetts—On ac-	
count of extermination of gypsy and	
brown-tail moths	\$1,153 29
Corporation tax, public service, 1911 .	11,699 09
Corporation tax, business	45 87
National Bank tax, 1911	2,345 50
Military Aid	120 00
State Aid	396 00
Sundry persons, tax summonses, &c. .	47 60
County of Norfolk, dog license money,	
1911	314 76
Cohasset Savings Bank, income of Ripley	
fund	40 40
Interest on taxes collected	297 37
Interest on Bank deposits	318 61
Assessors' tax list, committed August	
17, 1911	121,351 36
Assessors' supplementary tax list . . .	9 80
Assessors' moth account, committed with	
tax list	771 80
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	\$272,041 21
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NEWCOMB B. TOWER,

Treasurer and Collector.

Cohasset, January 13, 1911.

REPORT OF
THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE



REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

During the year 1911 the work of the schools has been carried on along normal lines. There is submitted herewith the annual report of the Superintendent of Schools, together with reports made to him by the Supervisors of departmental work, also an estimate of the amount which will be required for the support of schools and conveyance of pupils for 1912.

At the annual town meeting in March, 1911, your committee was authorized to install a heating and ventilating plant in the Osgood School, according to plans and specifications prepared by Richard D. Kimball Co. We submit a report from them, showing that the work has been completed and within the appropriation.

BOSTON, January 25, 1912.

MR. CHARLES W. GAMMONS,
Chairman Building Committee,
Osgood School, Cohasset, Mass.

DEAR SIR : — The work in connection with the installation of the heating and ventilating system in the Osgood School Building at Cohasset, Mass., has been completed, and we have issued in favor of the contractors, Messrs. W. W. Campbell & Son, our certificate of final acceptance.

The plant has been in operation throughout the school year up to the present time, and has passed through the most severe weather known for several years, this without

failure of any part and without excessive coal consumption. This service speaks for itself, and is better than any other possible trial.

It is worthy of note that the installation of the plant has been carried through without "extra charges" or requests for additional appropriation.

The work of installation of this plant has taken longer than was anticipated, owing partly to the fact that considerable of the apparatus had to be designed, and built to meet special conditions existing in this building.

We thank you for the opportunity of working with you and your Committee, and the courteous treatment we have received throughout the installation and adjustment.

Yours very truly,

RICHARD D. KIMBALL CO.

C. W. KIMBALL.

It has been the custom in recent years for the senior class of the High School to raise a fund for a trip to Washington. This has been accomplished through the co-operation of the teachers by a series of entertainments. While the Committee recognizes the educational value of a trip to Washington, it seems on careful consideration that too much time and energy are taken from school work by both teachers and pupils at a crucial time in the work of the senior year. The Committee suggests that beginning with the freshman year pupils who look forward to a trip to Washington in their senior year should adopt a system of savings from money earned in vacation periods which might be deposited through the Stamp Savings plan for this purpose.

There is a distinct trend among educators toward the extension of vocational training. A start has been made in our commercial and manual training departments with excellent results. The present manual training-room is overcrowded, and during the summer vacation it is planned to

enlarge this room by taking in a part of the basement made available by the change in heating system. It has been decided by your Committee after careful consideration that it is wise to add to our teaching force an instructor in penmanship and an instructor in physical training. Our estimate for the current year is increased to cover this additional instruction.

Pending the change in heating and ventilating, the walls and ceilings in many of the rooms of the Osgood School have been neglected. These will have attention during the current year, and such changes as are necessary will be made in the basement.

Our estimate of the amount necessary for the School Department for the current year is as follows :

For Superintendent	\$800 00
Teachers	13,900 00
Janitors	1,000 00
Heating and ventilating :	
(Fuel, \$1,600 ; power, \$400)	2,000 00
Repairs and supplies	1,500 00
Miscellaneous	750 00
Books, etc.	1,000 00
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Total	\$20,950 00
Conveyance of pupils	3,300 00

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES W. GAMMONS, *Chairman*,

MARTHA P. HOWE, *Secretary*,

EDITH M. BATES,

CALEB LOTHROP,

GEORGE JASON, Jr.,

BURTON S. TREAT,

School Committee.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Cohasset School Committee ;

The twenty-fourth annual report of the Superintendent of the Public Schools of Cohasset is herewith respectfully submitted.

It contains a brief review of the work of the schools for the year ending December 22, 1911, a statement of the present condition of the schools, and suggestions for improvements which seem worthy of your consideration. It includes also the reports of the Supervisors and the usual table of statistics.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

We have had as a whole an efficient and progressive organization. The grades and classes have been larger than ever before, and the problems of instruction and management have been correspondingly large. The Osgood School has developed rapidly in recent years, and the work is now conducted under very favorable conditions.

Our pupils have superior advantages in nearly every department of the school, and the decrease in the non-promotion list, even under more rigid requirements, shows greater efficiency in the school system.

The three primary grades in the Beechwood School, while lacking some of the advantages offered in the larger building, have done excellent work under the direction of a teacher who is particularly adapted to that school.

Careful attention has been given to all the interests of the pupils, and constant effort has been made to strengthen and improve our teaching.

Progress in education demands that we meet educational problems with open minds and show a readiness to accept and test new methods. Steady growth should mark the work of the teacher, and greater efficiency should follow in the course of years.

Our school organization encourages initiative on the part of the teacher and thereby develops methods of instruction and management suited to local conditions.

The changes and improvements made in the Osgood school building during the summer were extensive and well advised.

When the heating and ventilating system was installed in the original building twenty years ago the school was very much smaller than it is today, and the third floor was not used for class rooms and had no means for heating except by diverting the heat from other rooms. In 1898 it became necessary to enlarge the building by the addition of six school rooms and two laboratories. The new rooms were heated and ventilated by a system similar to the one in use in the older building. With the increase in the number of pupils in all the rooms there was a demand for more ventilation and more uniform temperature. That demand has been met very satisfactorily.

By moving the partition between the main room and the recitation room of the High School the lighting was greatly improved, and it gave us better facilities for seating the different classes.

The partition was constructed with folding doors so that the two rooms may be used as one for general exercises. This is a great advantage since the hall formerly used for assembly purposes is now occupied by the commercial department.

A convenient, well lighted library and reading room resulted from the changes. Our pupils are now working under very favorable sanitary conditions.

ATTENDANCE.

The total enrollment of the schools for the school year ending June 23, 1911, was 502, an increase of 33 over the number reported in 1910. The average membership was 461; the average attendance, 410; the percentage of attendance, 89.

There were 68 pupils in the High School, 405 in the Osgood School and 29 in the Beechwood Primary School.

The low percentage of attendance was due to the prevalence of measles and mumps during the spring term. For the eight months of the school year, exclusive of April and May, the percentage was 96.

There was only two cases of truancy within the meaning of the law, but a number of pupils over fourteen years of age were absent many times when it was unnecessary. In a few instances parents were responsible for the absence of their children.

Boys were kept at home on certain days to assist in their father's business, and upon returning to school they found it difficult to perform the work of their classes. Such irregular attendance works injury to the pupils concerned and also to the other pupils. The immediate gain to the parent from the child's services in no way compensates for the educational loss.

The interests of the individual and the community are best conserved by regular school attendance of all pupils.

TEACHERS.

There are in the employ of the Town fifteen regular teachers, three supervisors and three unassigned assistants. Four teachers were appointed during the year to take the places of those who resigned. Three of the vacancies occurred during the school year and one during the summer vacation. The following table shows the names of those who resigned and of the new teachers, with the dates of their appointments :

RESIGNED.	GRADE.	APPOINTED.	DATE.
Inez A. Rogers.	IX.	Harriet C. Gould.	April.
Marian F. Stratton.	VII.	Esther Grovenor.	April.
H. Wilma Bishop.	V.	Margaret J. O'Brien.	September.
Pessie A. Morse.	III.	Anna M. Vollor.	November.

Miss Rogers and Miss Stratton had taught with us only a few months, but Miss Morse and Miss Bishop had been here since 1908, and were excellent teachers. Miss Morse resigned in order to accept a position in Salem Normal School and Miss Bishop was married.

Miss Gould is a graduate of Radcliffe, Miss Grovenor and Miss O'Brien are Bridgewater Normal School graduates, and Miss Vollor is a graduate of Salem Normal School. All of the new teachers had had experience in other schools.

Our scale of salaries make it possible for us to secure good teachers, and the work of the schools shows the effect of better teaching. The loss of a good teacher is to be regretted always.

The policy of the committee adopted a few years ago whereby merit and length of successful service are made the deciding factors in fixing salaries, has reduced the number of changes to the minimum and insured a high standard of efficiency.

All our teachers are college or normal school graduates with the exception of two who have taken special college and normal courses. Teachers more nearly than any other class of public servants meet the increasing demands of modern society, yet the efforts of no other class receive so little recognition.

The quiet manner in which successful teaching is done gives no opportunity for that wide publicity which in other lines of social activity reaches and influences the people. A closer union between parents and teachers is desirable in order that there may be a more intelligent understanding of school aims and a more general co-operation between the home and the school.

THE HIGH SCHOOL.

There are now seventy-six pupils in the High School. Thirteen pupils were graduated in June, of which number

four had taken the college preparatory course and nine the general course, which includes the work of the commercial department.

The High School is well equipped for its work, and even with more rigid requirements the membership shows a gain.

One of our pupils took a competitive examination for appointment to the Naval Academy, and passed with the highest mark of any of the candidates, and received the indorsement of Congressman Harris.

This is a signal honor for the High School, and shows the thoroughness of the work.

The freshmen class has had the advantage of the manual training department, and I am of the opinion that we should extend the work in wood and metal. At present we have a limited equipment that serves very well for the grade classes, but the needs of the High School pupils are not met. It is highly important that students who are to pursue technical courses have training in the use of tools. The girls have shown marked interest in the manual arts, and I trust that a room for the drawing and manual arts classes will be provided this year. Either of the unfinished rooms in the third story can be made available at a moderate expense.

The following is a list of the High School graduates of June, 1911:—Reginald Robbins Beal, Alan Cunningham, *Helen May Davenport, *Alice Lenore Grassie, Madge Forester Higgins, Nellie Florence James, Thomas Addison Lothrop, *Dorothy Lothrop Nichols, *Lawrence Petersen, *Ralph Petersen, *Velna Snow Priest, Charles Warren Stevens, Edward Hennigan Thompson.

* With Honors.

THE GRADES.

The number of pupils enrolled in the grades was 434, an increase of 39 over the enrollment of 1910. Three grades were unusually large. The first had 63 pupils; the fourth, 51; and the fifth, 53. Twenty-six were graduated from the

ninth grade in June, and 24 of that number entered the High School in September. It is evident that the tendency to leave school at the end of the grammar school course has been changed by the work of the ninth grade, which anticipates some of the High School studies. In recent years the grades have given better preparation for the work of the freshman year, and the advance from the elementary to the secondary school has become as easy as that from grade to grade. The interests of our grade pupils are well cared for by an efficient corps of teachers who have been educated and trained for their special work.

The following is a list of the graduates from the Grammar School in June :

Harold Stephen Bandura,	Ruth Matilda Brown,
Harold Sheldon Burden,	Mildred Florence Clapp,
Herman Edward Daley,	Mary Elizabeth Fitch,
Frank Fratus,	Bertha Elsie Gillis,
Alfred Gonsalves,	Priscilla Gough,
Charles Roger Jason,	Marion Fuller James,
Eugene Charles McSweeney,	Helen Margaret Jason,
Thomas Frederic Mulcahy,	Mary Ellen Keating,
Alton Jefferson Priest,	Edith Irene Major,
Arthur Scheydecker,	Marguerite Isabel Mulvey,
Emma Denton Nickerson,	Marjorie Greewood Nott,
Mary Olivia Prouty,	Ruth Elizabeth Stoughton,
Helen Agnes Sullivan,	Mary Theresa Sullivan.

MEDICAL INSPECTION AND HYGIENE.

“Medical inspection in the schools is designed to safeguard and promote physical soundness and capacity through hygienic surroundings and living.” School instruction in the ways of right living will result in the development of a sturdier and more efficient race. While much attention must be given to the correction of present defects, the main object of our work is the prevention of disease and the

resulting defects. Society is constantly bearing a tremendous burden as a result of preventable diseases and defects, and the schools offer the most effective means of lightening that burden. Children must be made to realize that efficiency and happiness depend upon health. They must be taught most carefully the principles of hygienic living and conservation of physical forces.

The school physician has rendered valuable service throughout the year. He has made careful inspections of all the pupils at frequent intervals and has examined many cases referred to him. During the epidemic of measles and mumps that occurred in April his services were in constant demand, and in accordance with his recommendation the grades of the Osgood school were closed for two weeks.

Tests of the eyesight and hearing of the pupils were made by the teachers in accordance with the law. The following is a statement of the results :

Number of pupils examined	.	.	502
Cases of defective sight	.	.	46
Cases of defective hearing	.	.	10
Parents notified	.	.	27

MANUAL TRAINING AND DRAWING.

Modern education recognizes the importance of preparing pupils for participation in life's activities, and industrial and vocational education is gaining ground very rapidly. The development of motor activity is most essential during the elementary school period, but from its practical value should be continued through the High School course.

The present manual training training room has been taxed to its fullest during the fall term, and the pupils have shown unusual interest. We have united the work in drawing and manual training as far as possible. Construction from designs made by the pupils is more valuable than imitation of the work of others.

The classes in mechanical drawing were well conducted. Attention is called to the reports of the Supervisors for more extended statements concerning the work.

MUSIC.

Our teachers have taken pride in the work of their classes in music, and under the direction of the Supervisor there has been constant progress. New and better books have been provided in the grades. Parents have shown an appreciation of the music when they have visited the schools. The musical program given at the graduating exercises shows the results of the instruction.

Mr. Sawyer has worked faithfully, and his report deserves a careful reading.

SEWING.

The sewing classes, composed of girls from the seventh, eighth and ninth grades, have been conducted by the regular teachers of the seventh and ninth grades. Considerable skill has been shown in all the classes, and marked progress has been made. The work is now done in the regular school rooms on the days when the boys are in the manual training room.

SCHOOLS, TEACHERS AND SALARIES.

Schools.	Teachers.	Present Salaries.
High School :		
	Stanley C. Lary, principal	\$1,900 00
	Mary E. Nye	800 00
	Minnie E. Bigelow	800 00
	Marion C. Chandler	700 00
	Helen L. Colby	600 00
Osgood School :		
Grade IX.	Harriett C. Gould	650 00
VIII.	Martha P. Bates	650 00
VII.	Esther Grovenor	550 00
VI.	Edith R. Day	550 00

V.	Margaret J. O'Brien	.	.	\$500 00
IV.	May A. Gammons	.	.	650 00
1III.	Anna M. Vollar	.	.	600 00
II.	Rachel Harrison	.	.	650 00
I.	Sara E. Fox	.	.	650 00
Beechwood Primary :				
	Eva S. Bassick	.	.	550 00
Supervisor of Music :				
	Edmund F. Sawyer	.	.	300 00
Supervisor of Manual Training :				
	Annie B. Whidden	.	.	300 00
Supervisor of Drawing :				
	Maude E. Black	.	.	350 00
Unassigned Assistants :				
	Lot W. Bates	.	.	300 00
	Myra L. Beal	.	.	300 00
	Annie A. Souther	.	.	300 00

ABSTRACT OF STATISTICS.

Population of Cohasset, census of 1910	.	.	2,585
Number of regular teachers	.	.	15
Number of supervisors	.	.	3
Number of assistants	.	.	3
Number of school buildings	.	.	2
Number of school rooms occupied	.	.	15

SCHOOL CENSUS, SEPTEMBER 1, 1911.

Number of boys between 5 and 15 years of age	.	231
Number of girls between 5 and 15 years of age	.	232
Number of boys between 7 and 14 years of age	.	175
Number of girls between 7 and 14 years of age	.	174

ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDING
JUNE 23, 1911.

Number of pupils in all the schools	502
Boys in school between 5 and 15 years of age . .	209
Girls in school between 5 and 15 years of age . .	213
Boys in school between 7 and 14 years of age . .	151
Girls in school between 7 and 14 years of age . .	151
Boys in school over 15 years of age	36
Girls in school over 15 years of age	39
Boys in school under 5 years of age	1
Girls in school under 5 years of age	4
Average membership of all schools	461
Average attendance of all schools	410
Percentage of attendance	89
(Six pupils attended Canterbury Street School, Hingham.)	

ENROLLMENT FOR THE FALL TERM, 1911.

High School :

Freshman Class	24
Sophomore Class	17
Junior Class	24
Senior Class	11
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Total	76

Osgood School :

Grade I.	39
Grade II.	35
Grade III.	43
Grade IV.	44
Grade V.	52
Grade VI.	44
Grade VII.	42
Grade VIII.	47
Grade IX.	31
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Total 377

Beechwood Primary :

Grade I.	7
Grade II.	10
Grade III.	13

Total	30
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Enrollment of all the schools	483
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STATISTICAL TABLE FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 23, 1911.

SCHOOLS.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Percentage of Attendance.	Truancy.
High	68	65	62	95	0
Osgood :					
Grade IX	30	26	23	89	0
Grade VIII	37	36	32	90	0
Grade VII	49	46	41	90	1
Grade VI	46	39	35	90	0
Grade V	53	44	40	91	0
Grade IV	51	48	43	90	1
Grade III	39	36	31	85	0
Grade II	37	38	33	87	0
Grade I	63	55	45	82	0
Beechwood :					
Grades I, II, III	29	28	25	89	0
Totals	502	461	410	89	2

CONCLUSION.

The year has been characterized by unusual progress in the schools. The teachers have been faithful and loyal in their work.

Liberal appropriations have been made by the citizens for school improvements and maintenance. Parents have extended their hearty co-operation. The members of the School Committee have given freely of their time to advance the interests of the schools, and I wish to acknowledge my indebtedness to them for their help and encouragement.

NELSON G. HOWARD,

Cohasset, Dec. 30, 1911.

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

MR. NELSON G. HOWARD,

Superintendent of Schools :

DEAR SIR :—In compliance with your request I submit herewith my annual report.

The work in music has been going on steadily and, to a great extent, satisfactorily. While we realize the impossibility of attaining our ideal, we feel that we are justified in striving for it and that the higher our aim the greater will be our achievement.

During the past year discussion by Supervisors in the periodicals devoted to music in schools has been chiefly the consideration of the problem of the High Schools. It is admitted by most people who have given the question serious thought that both in quality and quantity the work done is not what it ought to be. Critics say that the High Schools do not continue progressively the generally admirable work of the grades. The reasons for this condition are said to be :

1. The fact that most boys of High School age are unable to sing much because their voices are changing. This is, of course, a very real difficulty, and I do not see how it can be obviated unless we can change the laws of nature.

2. Insufficient preparation in the grades. This does not apply to our school.

3. Lack of interest, sympathy and support on the part of Principals and High School teachers. This also may be eliminated in the consideration of our particular case.

4. Insufficient time ; this seems to me the real reason.

For lack of time we are unable to give the boys whose voices are changing the personal attention that would surely, to a certain extent, make for improvement. For lack of time we are obliged to have all four classes together, instead of each by itself, as in the lower grades. Fourth year pupils

naturally lose interest because they are held back by the capacity of first year pupils. For lack of time we are unable to do much work in voice culture and theoretical study, which would be of great benefit.

I think that if it were possible to make some arrangement by which more time could be devoted to music in the High Schools that the results would be surprisingly better.

Very respectfully,

EDMUND F. SAWYER,

Supervisor of Music.

Cohasset, December 30, 1911.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING.

Mr. N. G. HOWARD,

Superintendent of Schools :

DEAR SIR :—

In compliance with your request, I submit this brief report for the year just ended.

The work in my department has been carried on along the lines described in last year's report, and I am glad to say that there has been considerable progress.

In the High School there are 43 pupils taking drawing. After the freshman year drawing is elective. Quite a good proportion of the sophomore class wished to take drawing, but there was no period in which they could be accommodated. We are using the chemical laboratory for a drawing room, and try to make the best of the many inconveniences.

We have started a course in mechanical drawing, which will take up geometry problems, view drawings and developments, conic sections, screw drawings, machine drawing, projection and simple architectural drawing.

Nature drawing, object drawing, illustrating, foreshortening and convergence, memory drawing in the primary grades, problems in design and construction make up the year's work.

For color study and for a part of the work in design and landscape drawing, water color is used. The greater part of the work in drawing is done with lead pencil. In the High School other mediums, such as charcoal, colored chalks, pen and ink are used.

The general exhibition of work in the different rooms at the close of the school year and the work displayed on the walls during the year show to some extent the kinds of work undertaken. The constructive work is one of the most important phases of drawing. In this work the pupils plan a useful object such as a book, box, calendar, pen tray, pillow or doll furniture, and finally construct and decorate it. In the High School the pupils use metal or cloth for this work, the grade children use cardboard or heavy paper.

Last February the State Supervisor of Drawing, the late Frederick Burnham, visited Cohasset and spoke very favorably of the work in drawing, and we were glad to have him say that our work compared well with the work of other towns.

I wish to thank the superintendent and teachers for their interest and hearty co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

MAUDE E. BLACK.

Cohasset, December, 1911.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MANUAL TRAINING.

To the Superintendent of Schools:

At your request I submit the following brief report of the classes in manual training for the past year. The boys of the seventh, eighth and ninth grades and those of the first year in the High School have had wood-working, while the girls of the first year in the High School have had metal work. We have endeavored to train the mind through the

hand, and the the results obtained have been very pleasing. In wood-working, each class has had instruction in the principles that must precede all construction from materials, and each pupil has been given opportunity to progress according to his own ability. At times it has been difficult to make the boys careful in their work and to have each problem worked out thoroughly, but we feel that nearly all the pupils have made their models of good form and proportion.

Our motto for the past year has been "If a model is worth doing at all, it is worth doing well," and we have tried to have it always in mind.

Our models, this year, have been made mostly of pine and whitewood, as they were the only suitable woods that could be obtained from local dealers. We hope in the coming year to have a greater variety of woods, and so get the pupils acquainted with them, their characteristics and their uses. The older and better workmen have been given more freedom of choice in their models, inventiveness has been encouraged and wherever possible special requests coming from the home or school have been granted. In most cases care has been shown, as the boys have put forth their best efforts, and we look for still greater progress in workmanship and in the handling of tools in the year to come.

In metal work the girls have proceeded from some simple model, such as the paper knife, to others more difficult, such as the bowl and pen tray. These girls have had no previous training with their hands, and it has been more than pleasing to watch the interest shown and the results obtained.

During the past year a few more electric lights were added to our room, and these have been appreciated by all. Owing to the increase in the number of boys, we are very much crowded at present and hope that by another year we may have a larger room with more light and good benches to replace those that are worn out.

We are always glad to welcome the parents to our room, and hope that they will call whenever they find it convenient to do so.

I am very grateful, and wish to thank all those who have shown interest in this work.

Respectfully,
ANNIE B. WHIDDEN,
Supervisor of Manual Training.

REPORT OF THE STAMP SAVINGS BANK.

COHASSET, January 29, 1912.

To the School Committee:

During the past year I have visited the first six grades at the Osgood School once a week with the stamp savings bank.

The number of children who save their pennies with me and then put their dollar or more in the "big bank," as they call it, is about the same as it has been in the last few years.

This year the junior class of the High School are saving for their trip to Washington.

Respectfully submitted,
BESSIE L. TOWER.

COHASSET SCHOOL COMMITTEE—FINANCIAL REPORT.

1911. Paid.

Nelson G. Howard, Superintendent	\$790 00
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TEACHERS.

Osgood School, High :

Stanley C. Lary, Principal .	\$1,900 00
Miss Minnie E. Bigelow, Assistant	800 00

Miss Mary S. Nye, Assistant	\$770 00	
Miss Marion C. Chandler, As-		
sistant	670 00	
Miss Helen L. Colby, Assist-		
ant	600 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,740 00

GRAMMAR GRADES.

9th, Miss Inez A. Rogers .	\$178 75	
9th, Miss Harriett C. Gould .	425 00	
8th, Miss Martha P. Bates .	620 00	
7th, Miss Marion F. Stratton .	178 75	
7th, Miss Esther Grovenor .	357 50	
6th, Miss Edith Day . . .	550 00	
5th, Miss H. Wilma Bishop .	360 00	
5th, Miss Margaret O'Brien .	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,870 00

PRIMARY GRADES.

4th, Miss May A. Gammons .	\$620 00	
3rd, Miss Bessie A. Morse .	522 50	
3rd, Miss Anna M. Vollar .	90 00	
2nd, Miss Rachel Harrison .	620 00	
1st, Miss Sara E. Fox . . .	620 00	
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Beechwood School :

Miss Eva S. Bassick . . .	\$550 00
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Supervisor of Music :

Edmund F. Sawyer . . .	\$300 00
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Supervisor of Drawing :

Miss Maude E. Black . . .	350 00
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Manual Training :

Miss Anna B. Whidden . . .	300 00
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\$950 00

Unaassigned Assistants :

Miss Myra L. Beal	.	.	\$300 00	
Miss Annie A. Souther	.	.	300 00	
Mr. Lot W. Bates	.	.	300 00	
			<u>900 00</u>	
				<u>\$12,482 50</u>

JANITORS.

Osgood School :

George W. Crocker	.	.	\$175 00	
John Ferreira	.	.	600 00	

Beechwood School :

A. Bradford Litchfield	.	.	100 00	
			<u>\$875 00</u>	

HEATING AND VENTILATING.

Osgood School :

Lincoln Bros. Co.	.	.	\$1,533 30	
Charles H. Hackett	.	.	30 50	
The Electric Light and Power Co.	.	.	50 81	
			<u>1,614 61</u>	

Beechwood School :

Lincoln Bros. Co.	.	.	\$97 90	
Charles H. Hackett	.	.	7 50	
			<u>105 40</u>	
				<u>\$1,720 01</u>

REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES.

Osgood School :

A. T. Stearns Lumber Co., tables	.	.	\$38 50	
Standard Chemical Co., sul- pho-naphthol	.	.	23 80	
Manuel S. Leonard, repairing, plumbing, etc.	.	.	40 71	

Frank W. Browne, sponges, alcohol, etc.	\$ 4 92
Edward Holden Co., brooms, etc.	8 25
Harry W. Lincoln, setting glass and painting	29 13
Edward E. Babb & Co., dusters, matting, etc. . . .	19 75
Norris Bros. & Co., glass, putty, etc.	2 61
Thomas A. Roche, New partition and changing par- tition in High School room	845 00
Tower Bros. & Co., lumber, hardware, etc.	54 08
Masury. Young Co., Nodusto and applier	66 20
Fred G. Roche, work on seats, etc.	2 25
The Electric Light and Power Co., lamps and insulators .	3 22
Joshua F. Higgins, oiling floors	1 75
Joseph A. Antoine oiling floors	1 50
Edward E. Babb & Co., desks and chairs	32 00
George W. Crocker, putting on locks	1 00
Bosworth & Beal, repairing wire for bells	29 93
Thomas A. Roche, changing and putting down desks in High School room	42 50
E. J. Pratt, solder, bolts, etc.	73

W. H. Fowler, shade, cord and labor	\$ 7 70	
The Standard Electric Time Co., changing program clock	57 00	
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Beechwood School :		
David B. Francis, repairing funnel, sink pipe, etc.	3 45	
John W. Bates, cleaning vaults and floor	5 00	
Frank Mitchell, rep'ring foun- dation	76 50	
A. B. Litchfield, cleaning, varnishing, etc.	24 00	
J. W. Whitcomb, gravel and sand	19 25	
Tower Bros. & Co., cement, lumber, varnish and con- ductors	45 60	
Manuel S. Leonard, making urinal and repairing furnace and water pipes	19 65	
Cohasset Water Co., faucet	75	
H. L. Brown, supplies	6 32	
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		\$1,513 05

MISCELLANEOUS.

Cotton & Gould, record book	60
The Electric Light & Power Co., lighting	22 12
Harry F. Tilden, team, freight, etc.,	4 34
Adams Express Co., expressing	16 80
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., tele- phone service	35 35

Cohasset Sentinel, advertising bids	
for heating system	\$ 4 88
Mrs. John Ferreira, laundry	1 00
Litchfield's Express, expressing	20 07
Wright & Ditson, basket ball	5 00
Oliver H. Howe, M. D., School	
Physician	100 00
Cousens & Pratt, flag, Beechwood	
School	5 00
F. W. Wheelwright, milk	13 44
The Hingham Journal, printing	8 50
W. A. Dwiggins, filling diplomas	9 75
West Disinfecting Co., disin-	
fectant	6 00
Nelson G. Howard, telephone, ex-	
pressing, postage, etc.	22 25
The Boundbrook Press, programs	
and tickets	13 25
Ephraim Snow, building platform	
for graduation	4 00
John Daun, 13 bouquets for gradu-	
ation	16 25
Stanley C. Lary, telephone, post-	
age, etc.	13 40
Boston Bank Note Co., 200 diplo-	
mas	40 00
Cornelius Callahan Co., hose	1 50
Bessie L. Tower, pianist 1 year	25 00
John McKenzie, plants for gradu-	
ation	7 00
German-American Insurance Co.,	
premium	112 50
Fannie E. James, school census	25 00
United States Post-office, stamped	
envelopes	10 62

Thaxter & Brother, thermometers	\$ 9 00
Edward Nichols, drawing specifications, etc.	87 80
Frank W. Browne, denatured alcohol, etc.	5 30
M. Jennie Merriam, ribbons, cloth, etc.	18 89
John J. Grassie, truant officer .	20 00
Elmer E. Bates, truant officer .	20 00
Martha P. Howe, secretary .	25 00
Caleb Lothrop, financial secretary	25 00
William W. Wade, tuning piano, etc.	2 50
The Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph Co., wheel for no school system	2 64
Oliver H. Howe, M. D., medical supplies	3 10

\$762 85

BOOKS, STATIONERY, ETC.

Edward E. Babb & Co. . . .	\$457 73
Chandler & Barber	46 90
George E. Kimball	45 20
Library Bureau	11 75
American Book Company . .	153 13
Maude E. Black	1 60
Milton Bradley Company . .	13 01
Samuel Ward Company . . .	48 25
Funk & Wagnall Company . .	4 52
Edward A. Synnott	5 00
Remington Typewriter Company,	36 00
Keuffel & Essex Company . .	3 35
D. C. Heath & Co.	41 98
L. E. Knott Apparatus Company,	59 57

Easterbrook Steel Pen Mfg. Co. .	\$ 9 30	
The Boundbrook Press . .	1 50	
Kenney Brothers & Watkins .	8 50	
Minnie E. Bigelow . . .	5 00	
The Macmillan Company . .	2 23	
Park Publishing Company . .	11 25	
Ginn & Co.	22 24	
P. Blakiston's Son & Co. . .	2 20	
George W. Crocker	5 00	
Wadsworth, Howland & Co. .	4 30	
Houghton Mifflin Company .	24 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,023 51

RECAPITULATION.

Paid :

Superintendent	790 00
Teachers	11,582 50
Unassigned assistants . .	900 00
Janitors	875 00
Heating and ventilating . .	1,720 01
Repairs and supplies . . .	1,513 05
Miscellaneous	762 85
Books, stationery, etc. . .	1,023 51
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\$19,166 92

Received :

Amount of school appropriation	\$18,750 00
Amount of dog licenses . . .	314 76
Interest on Ripley Fund . .	40 40
Commonwealth of Massachu-	
setts, tuition	20 00
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	\$19,125 16

Amount expended in excess of re-

ceipts	41 76
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19,166 92

CONVEYING.

Harry F. Tilden, North Main and King streets district	\$585 75
Harry F. Tilden, Jerusalem Road district	150 00
Harry F. Tilden, Parker avenue district	18 25
Elmer E. Bates, Beechwood district	1,218 75
Harry L. Willard, Jr., Jerusalem Road district	792 00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., fares	350 00
Cohasset Sentinel, advertising for bids	4 14
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	\$3,118 89
Amount unexpended	131 11
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	\$3,250 00

Amount of appropriation 3,250 00

NEW HEATING AND VENTILATING SYSTEM INSTALLED IN
THE OSGOOD SCHOOL.

Paid:

W. W. Campbell & Son, con- tract	\$8,825 00
W. W. Campbell & Son, hose	14 63
Richard D. Kimball Co., en- gineers	264 75
Robert F. Leighton, re-wiring for lights	87 00
Building Care Co., cleaning	185 00
Antone E. Salvador, mason work	34 33
J. L. Sullivan, mason work	58 00

Nott & Cushing, painting	\$ 2 65	
Thomas A. Roche, carpenter- ing	14 48	
The Standard Electric Time Co., repairing wiring for program clock	36 74	
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		\$9,522 58
Unexpended		127 42
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		\$9,650 00
Amount of appropriation		9,650 00
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James W. Nichols' Fund :		
Amount reported last year	\$2,299 70	
One year's interest to date	92 88	
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		\$2,392 58
Deposit in the Cohasset Savings Bank		\$2,392 58
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CALEB LOTHROP,

Financial Secretary.

Reports of the

PAUL PRATT PUBLIC LIBRARY, COHASSET FREE
PUBLIC LIBRARY, MOTH DEPARTMENT,
TREE WARDEN, FIRE ENGINEERS,
AND BOARD OF HEALTH.

THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE PAUL PRATT MEMORIAL LIBRARY.

The directors in presenting their annual report to the town find that the library has been used to a larger extent in 1911 than in any previous year. This is due not only to the increasing value of the library itself and to the admirable work done to interest the children in the juvenile department, but also to the action of the directors in opening the library daily except Sundays. The custom of a library opened only three days a week has long prevailed here.

The staff at our library has been changed. Miss C. S. Tower, who has been assistant librarian since the Paul Pratt Memorial Library was opened in 1903, resigned her position with us November 1st to accept a similar position with the Milton Public Library. It was with sincere regrets that the directors accepted Miss Tower's resignation.

Miss Annie N. Keene of Cohasset was appointed by the directors to fill the vacancy.

The directors have renovated the heating plant and installed a second heater, thus making it certain that in the coldest weather the library will be comfortable for those who use it.

The question of getting the books of the library into the hands of our citizens who live at the far corners of the town has been a matter of study for the directors. It is their earnest desire to bring this about, and when they find a way to its accomplishment they will gladly avail themselves of the opportunity.

Attention is called to the receipts and disbursements of the library as shown by the treasurer's report appended herewith. It should be understood by the town that the balance of money on hand carries on the library work until late summer or early fall when the town appropriation is paid.

The report of the librarian, which is subjoined, gives a full and detailed account of the year's work done by the library and the use made of it during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILANDER BATES, *President.*

JAMES LONGLEY, *Treasurer.*

WILLIAM R. COLE, *Clerk.*

EDWARD NICHOLS,

FRANK B. McALLISTER,

CHARLES C. WHEELWRIGHT,

GEORGE W. COLLIER,

Directors.

PAUL PRATT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

In Account with James Longley, Treasurer.

TO PAYMENTS IN 1911

For Librarians and Janitor		\$1,075 00
Books and Magazines	\$438 55	
Binding	153 18	
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Wood and coal	240 27	
Electric lighting	239 90	
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Printing, stationery and library supplies		145 74
Furniture and repairs		84 97

Freight, carting and expressage	\$22 78	
Insurance	237 00	
Sundries	3 00	
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		262 78

\$2,640 39

Balance on deposit in Boston Safe
Deposit and Trust Co., January
2, 1912

1,322 69

\$3,963 08

BY RECEIPTS IN 1911

Balance January 2, 1911, on de- posit in Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Co.	\$1,335 28
From Investments	470 00
Interest from Boston Safe De- posit and Trust Co.	17 32
Town of Cohasset appropria- tion for library	1,900 00
Insurance premiums returned	82 50
Librarian for finds collected and reserve postals sold, etc.	155 63
Other collections	2 35
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	\$3,963 08

January 2, 1912

JAMES LONGLEY,
Treasurer.

We have examined the foregoing account for 1911 and find same correct, disbursements of cash being accounted for by proper vouchers.

OLIVER H. HOWE,
CHARLES W. GAMMONS,
Auditors.

COHASSET, Jan. 22, 1912.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Directors of the Paul Pratt Memorial Library :

The following is a report of the work in the Library for the year ending December, 1911 :

Since June 19 the days of opening the Library have been changed from three afternoons and evenings a week to every afternoon, Sundays excepted, and Saturday evenings.

The Library has been open every library day in the year with the exception of days for taking of inventory and holidays.

There has been an increase of circulation of 648 over last year, as will be seen below, which shows an appreciation of the change.

We have gone carefully over the Library, and find the books in very good condition. We find missing three juveniles and three adults, which, given time, I believe will be accounted for. Gardiner's Students' History of England, which has been missing over a year, has been returned to its shelf unknown to us.

Gifts of books have been received from Messrs. G. L. Raymond, Charles J. Enos, F. E. Mitchell, J. W. Bookwalter, I. W. Adams, Fitz-Henry Smith, Jr., J. S. Bigelow, James Longley, Mrs. W. L. Parker, Mrs. J. S. Bigelow, Julia A. Balbach, The Review of Reviews Co., The Patriot Publishing Co., State and Government, Massachusetts Association Opposed to Women Suffrage, and some valuable engravings from Mr. Horace G. Wadleigh.

Also gifts have been received for the reading room of plants from Mrs. Newcomb B. Tower and Mr. Charles C. Wheelwright, a jardiniere and pedestal from Miss Mary P. Tower, and a loan of an oil painting from Mr. Edward Friebe, a new resident of the town.

REGISTRATION AND CIRCULATION.

Population of Cohasset, 1910 census . . .	2,585
Total registration from July, 1903 . . .	2,285
Registration in force December 31, 1910 . . .	1,259
Registration for year 1911	197
Registration cancelled 1911	26
Registration in force December 31, 1911 . . .	1,430
(Being about 55 per cent of the population.)	
Library open	230 days
Books issued for home use	19,414
Average home use per diem	84.4
Average home per inhabitant	7.5

Classification of books used :

	Juvenile	Adult	Total
Philosophy and Religion	29	125	154
History and Biography	382	599	981
Travel and Description	420	399	819
Language and Literature	362	391	753
Social Sciences	30	172	202
Natural Sciences	169	174	343
Arts	257	837	1,094
Fiction	4,133	8,643	12,776
Magazines	164	2,128	2,292
Total	5,946	13,468	19,414

Accessions :

Number of volumes in Library December 31, 1910	12,266
Number of volumes added by purchase, 1911	499
Number of volumes added by gift	49
Number of volumes bound	61
Number of volumes replaced	11
Books brought from shelves down stairs from old library	7
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	627
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	12,893

Number of books withdrawn	74
Total number of volumes in Library Decem- ber 31, 1911	12,819

Of the above accessions, 627 volumes, 292 have been added to the Paul Pratt Memorial Library and 335 to the Cohasset Free Public Library. The total amount of money spent during the year for books has been \$689.60, of which amount the Paul Pratt Memorial Library has paid \$320.95 and the Cohasset Free Public Library \$368.65.

Report of school childrens' reading from lists from September, 1910 to 1911 :

4th Grade—15 children read 218 books and rec'd certificates							
5th “ 12 “ “ 166 “ “ “ “							
6th “ 15 “ “ 269 “ “ “ “							
7th “ 6 “ “ 99 “ “ “ “							
8th “ 13 “ “ 221 “ “ “ “							
9th “ 2 “ “ 26 “ “ “ “							

In all 63 children have read 999 books and received certificates.

It is with deep regret that I have to speak of the resignation of Miss Tower, who left us in November, to accept a position as assistant librarian in the Milton Public Library.

We have worked together in harmony for eight years, and personally I regret the loss of her companionship as much as her valuable assistance. She has worked with untiring zeal and faithfulness for the welfare of the library, and she will be a valuable member of any staff in any position. Our new assistant, Miss Keene, is working in admirably, and we hope together to keep up the high standard of usefulness and interest for the public good.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH B. COLLIER,

Librarian.

REPORT FOR SUPPRESSING GYPSY AND BROWN-TAIL MOTHS.

The work was continued practically the same as last year. During the winter months there were a number of orchards cleaned, mostly on Beechwood Street. This work should be continued, as there are a large number of orchards yet to be done in different parts of the Town. While this work was being carried on, there were a number of men creosoting gypsy moth eggs and cutting brown-tail webs. This was continued until the hatching season in the spring, after which there were about 20,000 trees burlapped; besides this about 5,000 burlaps were distributed to those who called at the storehouse for them to be used on their premises. This was a great help, as they were well attended by those who put them on their trees, and a very large number of caterpillars were destroyed. I trust this will be repeated another year. After the burlaps were all on it was time to start spraying. Part of the men employed were turning burlaps and the balance with the spraying machine. It was impossible to do all the spraying that was necessary, therefore we had to spray the worst infestations. There was some dissatisfaction on the part of those who were willing to pay for spraying and could not have it done. The Town should have at least one more spraying machine, as the spraying season is very short and the best results are obtained from spraying when the larvæ is small. There were a number of acres of woodlands stripped by caterpillars last year in different parts of the Town. There is a bad colony of gypsy moths on the easterly side of Beach Street, which is about in the centre of the Town, that should be cleaned up. If it is done out of the annual appropriation, unless it is increased, some of the residential parts of the Town would suffer. The work of cleaning woodlands by owners is being continued in the line of thinning out the underbrush

and trees; also, much work was done by the State, starting at the Golf Links and crossing Forest Avenue, going through Mr. Mandell's and Mrs. Thomas Richardson's woods. This work was followed by spraying. In addition to this the summer residents contributed a considerable sum to care for the sides of the drives about Howe's Road and Turkey Hill. This work was also done under the direction of the State. After the spraying the work of cutting and thinning out roadsides that were infested was taken up, such as was done on Spring and Pond Streets. The residential sections of the Town were inspected in October and November and found to be in good condition. There was a considerable flight of brown-tail moths from outside the Town last summer, and there are more webs than last year. The work of removing these is now in progress. We found where the parasite colonies were planted by the State also where the wilt disease was planted the nests are less numerous and much smaller. It is very important that the gypsy moth egg clusters are creosoted on trees that are being cut for wood before it is brought home, as I find the gypsy moth is distributed in large numbers through the Town in this way. In addition to the money reimbursed by the State to the Town, it has supplied poison and tools to the amount of \$804.40. An appropriation of \$4,000 is recommended for the ensuing year.

The following is a list of amounts paid for labor, teaming, tools, etc.:

Joseph E. Grassie, labor and expenses	\$795 00
John Wilbur, labor	545 28
Joseph J. Grassie, labor	507 96
Clarence Brasill, labor	478 46
Charles Wilson, labor	419 08
Fred Lincoln, labor	222 76
John Da'ley, labor	186 20
Charles Pratt, labor	184 05

Michael Sweeney, labor	.	.	.	.	\$163 13
Manuel Almeda, labor	.	.	.	.	158 07
John Brennock, labor	.	.	.	.	136 63
William James, labor	.	.	.	.	113 64
Thomas L. Grassie, labor	.	.	.	.	113 63
John F. Smith, labor	.	.	.	.	110 83
Henry Nickerson, labor	.	.	.	.	109 13
Joseph A. Silvia, labor	.	.	.	.	108 57
John Bean, labor	.	.	.	.	96 76
Benjamin Morse, labor	.	.	.	.	95 07
Melvin Thompson, labor	.	.	.	.	92 82
Austin Ahern, labor	.	.	.	.	90 00
Fred Higgins, labor	.	.	.	.	87 75
Antoine J. Silvia, labor	.	.	.	.	82 70
John P. Antoine, labor	.	.	.	.	78 75
Matthew Haley, labor	.	.	.	.	74 83
George Mitchell, labor	.	.	.	.	63 57
John Munnis, labor	.	.	.	.	61 32
Charles F. Wilbur, labor	.	.	.	.	58 50
Joseph Almeda, labor	.	.	.	.	57 94
Walter McGrath, labor	.	.	.	.	57 38
Robert L. Curtis, labor	.	.	.	.	51 75
George F. Sargent, labor	.	.	.	.	51 75
Abraham Lincoln, labor	.	.	.	.	49 50
Osburne Wood, labor	.	.	.	.	49 50
Antoine L. Silvia, labor	.	.	.	.	47 83
Peter Rooney, labor	.	.	.	.	47 25
Thomas O'Neil, labor	.	.	.	.	38 25
Foster Cardoze, labor	.	.	.	.	29 25
Anthony Gonsales, labor	.	.	.	.	27 00
Henry Williams, labor	.	.	.	.	20 25
Andrew Sutherland, labor	.	.	.	.	20 25
Manuel S. Enos, labor	.	.	.	.	19 13
Samuel F. James, labor	.	.	.	.	19 13
Arthur S. Bates, labor	.	.	.	.	18 00
Ezekiel James, labor	.	.	.	.	15 75

Frank J. Antoine, labor	\$15 75
Samuel S. Williams, labor	13 50
Edward M. Davis, labor	9 00
William O. Souther, labor	9 00
Joseph E. Grassie, teaming	462 00
Harry F. Tilden, teaming	211 57
John P. Antoine, teaming	80 00
E. W. Bates, filing saws	5 60
Tower Bros. & Co., supplies	16 56
Oscar Williams, oil	3 20
Manuel E. Salvador, tar	5 00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., freight paid . .	7 10
Adams Express Co., express paid	8 74
W. P. Malley, blacksmithing	14 51
Alvin D. Gillis, rent and gasolene	20 55
E. E. H. Souther, stationery	13 45
E. A. Sinnott, filing saws	9 75
James Denithorne, filing saws	2 30
M. J. Sullivan, supplies	1 32
John H. O'Neil, soldering tank	1 00
Eastern Drug Co., poison	24 00
Central Garage, gasolene	75
Grasselli Chemical Co., poison	19 50
Mrs. C. E. Nott, rent	120 00
Moth notices and postage	9 88
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	\$6,938 42
Amount received from State, cash, \$1,153 29	
Amount received for tools, poison, etc.	804 40
Amount received from Mrs. Thomas Richardson	207 00
Amount due from property owners 1,632 00	
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	3,796 69
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	\$3,141 74

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH E. GRASSIE,

Local Superintendent

TREE WARDEN'S REPORT.

The work of pruning old trees was continued, also the planting of young trees in different parts of the town. And as the past season was so dry the young trees which have been planted for the past two or three years had to be watered. The tent caterpillar webs were discovered to be very numerous early in the spring throughout the town. The cost of destroying what were on the roadside was about \$100. Also the cost of spraying the elm trees for the elm beetle was over \$300, as shown in the report below. Therefore not so much was done on old trees as should have been. I find a number of trees in different parts of the town have been destroyed by horses. I have warned the drivers, and trust in the future they will be more careful. Whereas spraying is the best known method for destroying the elm beetle, and as we obtained such good results last year I recommend the sum of \$600 be raised for the tree warden department to be used the ensuing year. The following is a list of amounts paid for labor, trees, poison, teaming, etc. :—

James F. Thomb, trees . . .	\$65 00
Joseph E. Grassie, teaming . .	38 00
Cyrus R. Keene, trees . . .	35 50
Joseph J. Grassie, labor . . .	34 88
Charles Wilson, labor . . .	34 88
Clarence Brasill, teaming . .	20 00
Elijah F. Lincoln, labor . . .	15 75
Joseph E. Grassie, labor . . .	15 00
John Wilbur, labor . . .	11 25
Clarence Brasill, labor . . .	7 88
A. D. Gillis, blacksmithing . .	5 45
Estate A. C. Bates, tools, etc. .	3 66
Tower Bros. & Co., nails . . .	10

\$287 35

Elm Beetle Spraying :

Graselli Chemical Co., lead . .	\$68 10	
Harry F. Tilden, teaming . .	63 25	
W. M. Farwell, hose . .	31 00	
Joseph E. Grassie, labor . .	18 00	
John W. Brennock, labor . .	15 00	
Charles Wilson, labor . .	13 50	
Clarence Brasill, labor . .	13 50	
Frank J. Antoine, labor . .	13 50	
Austin Ahern, labor . .	13 50	
John P. Antoine, teaming . .	12 00	
Walter McGrath, labor . .	9 00	
John P. Antoine, labor . .	9 00	
Cohasset Livery and Sale Stable, teaming	9 00	
Joseph J. Grassie, labor . .	9 00	
John Wilbur, labor	9 00	
		\$306 35
		\$593 70

Respectfully submitted

JOSEPH E. GRASSIE,

Tree Warden

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

To the Selectmen :

GENTLEMEN :— During the past year this department has responded to nineteen bell alarms, and assisted in extinguishing several serious forest fires, and the necessity of calling this department in the latter case leads us to recommend that the town appropriate a sufficient sum of money to permit the Forest Warden to operate his department independent of the Fire Department.

We have for many years past called your attention to the need of modern apparatus and houses for this department, and we feel that this year only brings us nearer to the time when the town will be compelled to modernize its fire department. We feel that the property owners are not awake to the existing conditions and deem it our duty to call their attention to the following: The fire house at the junction of South Main and Elm streets was built over sixty years ago and is unfitted for the storing of apparatus now in use in the department, which leaves the business centre of the town without a piece of apparatus of sufficient size to be of practical use in case of fire in that locality.

The hose wagon and ladder truck at the harbor are relied on entirely to cover the district from Forest Avenue on the west to the Scituate line on the east, and being horse-drawn apparatus, we depend upon the local stables for horses. The stable furnishing the horses for the hose wagon is located one-half mile from the house, and that furnishing horses for the ladder truck is four-fifths of a mile away, which necessitates driving the horses a long distance before they are hitched into the apparatus, thereby losing the most valuable time, and furthermore with such a wide area of territory to cover and such long runs the horses are unable to make reasonable speed, which is an element of danger of conflagration, and it is our recommendation that the Town purchase a piece of automobile apparatus.

The fire houses at the harbor were not built to hold the apparatus now located therein and are greatly in need of extensive and costly repairs, and we would recommend that the Town consider the erection of a modern house in a more central location.

The extension of the Water Works to the Beachwood district make it convenient to install a hose wagon in that district, which cannot be done for the reason that the house in that section is not of sufficient size to accommodate one, and

we would recommend additional storage facilities and a wagon for that district.

We would respectfully call attention to the need of better fire protection for our public buildings, particularly the Osgood School, where we would recommend that a four-way hydrant be installed on the street at the entrance to the driveway, also a standpipe be placed inside the tower of the building, with sufficient hose in racks on each floor to reach any part of the building on that floor.

We feel that some provisions should be made for better water service on Atlantic Avenue from Cunningham's Bridge to Jerusalem Road, the entire Beach Island property being without water supply in the winter months, and with only one single outlet hydrant on a four-inch service pipe for the balance of the year, which exposes \$150,000 worth of taxable property to loss by fire, with practically no conveniences for the use of the fire department to extinguish it.

These are a few of the many conditions which exist in the Town, and we feel that more attention should be given by the Town to the matter of better fire protection.

We would respectfully recommend that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 for the maintenance and operation of the department for the ensuing year.

H. E. MAPES,
H. E. BRENNOCK,
E. E. BATES,
GEORGE JASON,
WILLIAM H. McARTHUR,
JAMES S. BEAL,
ANSELM L. BEAL,

Board of Fire Engineers.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

The work of this Board has been carefully carried out during the past year.

The number of nuisances that were complained of, investigated, and improvements made was more than ever.

This year we are contemplating making a house to house examination of the whole town. We are led to do this by the great number of unsanitary conditions we have found during the past two years.

The sewage which has been emptied into James Brook has been stopped.

A great improvement was made just west of the bridge, where the brook flows under South Main street. This year the rest of the brook to its mouth will be cleaned out.

We call attention to the ancient and very unsatisfactory arrangement of the water closets and sewage disposal at the Town Hall. It is time we had a modern sanitary plant installed.

The work of meat inspection has been rigidly carried out and several carcasses condemned as tuberculous. We wish to impress on all the citizens no matter if they slaughter their own animals, the law requires that they shall have the carcasses inspected at the time of slaughter.

The attention of all is called to the great importance of using no milk except the cows supplying it have been tested by the injection of tuberculin, and are certified to be free from tuberculosis. All cows should be tested at least once a year with tuberculin and all reacting animals disposed of at once.

Many cattle that appeared healthy on a physical examination have proved to be diseased by applying the tuberculin test.

The public should require their milk dealers to guarantee that their herds and the herds of all of whom the dealers buy milk are free from any disease that can possibly be trans-

mitted to children or adults. Eight cases of human tuberculosis have been reported to us the past year. How many have been contracted from milk? The odorless excavator is subject to the regulations of this board, and it is our intention that satisfactory work shall be done with it at all times. Anyone being dissatisfied please report to this board. Applications for the use of the excavator must be made to this board.

The board was forced to resort to the court in one case before our regulations were complied with.

This Board with the Board of Health of Hull held a joint meeting to consider the problem of Straits Pond. After considerable discussion it was decided to request the State Board of Health to investigate the matter and report as to the best way to handle the affair. They reported that the conditions had changed but little since their last recommendations were made some years ago. The same remedies were proposed as before, viz., the flushing out of the pond by pipes laid from the ocean, and this failing, to dredge the bottom of the pond and put in sand. These would be too great undertakings and expense for this Town to do and bear alone. The residents of Hull would be more benefitted than any one, and it seems to us that they should share any expense in the matter. It is as yet an unsettled question whether the keeping of the water at a higher level will be of any benefit in keeping down the trouble — some vegetable growth which causes the disagreeable odors during the warm months. The growth starts in the late spring or early summer, and by September 15 has entirely disappeared. We have yet to hear of any disease being caused by this odor, but it is certainly very obnoxious.

Respectfully submitted,

DARIUS W. GILBERT, *Chairman*,
IRVING F. SYLVESTER, *Secretary*,
WARREN F. SNOW.

A CENTRAL GUIDE BOARD.

The Cohasset Motor Club has recently presented the town with a guide-board, placed on South Main street, near Elm street, close by the "tin shop." This place was chosen as the central point of the village, and the one from which all distances should properly be measured. The sign reads as follows :

	Miles		Miles
☞ Boston . . .	22.8	Plymouth . . .	26.0 ☞
Hingham . . .	5.1	Beechwood . . .	2.8
Quincy . . .	11.3	North Scituate . .	1.8
Brookline . . .	21.8	No. Scituate Beach	3.5
East Weymouth . .	8.0	Scituate Harbor . .	5.6
Weymouth . . .	10.2	Greenbush . . .	5.6
Nantasket Beach . .	4.4	Marshfield Hills . .	7.9
Hull Village . . .	8.7	Marshfield . . .	13.2
Rockland . . .	13.0	Brant Rock . . .	17.3
Brockton . . .	20.5	Duxbury . . .	17.8
Milton Churches . .	15.6	Kingston . . .	21.3
Dedham . . .	21.6	Norwell . . .	6.8
Worcester . . .	60.3	Hanover . . .	10.5

SOUTH MAIN STREET.

Erected by

COHASSET MOTOR CLUB.

As many as possible of the distances are taken from the Automobile Blue Book for 1911. The remainder have been obtained by repeated measurements by automobile speedometers. All are standardized and are believed to be correct.

The distance to Boston is via the State roads of Cohasset and Hingham, by Quincy, Milton Lower Mills, Morton street, Blue Hill avenue, Seaver street and Columbus avenue, to the corner of Boylston and Tremont streets (Hotel Touraine). This route is a good average one among several available.

The centers in other towns and cities, to which the distances are measured, are as follows :

Hingham—Square between railroad station and Cushing House.

Quincy—Square with large fountain near stone church.

Brookline—Square, junction Washington and Harvard streets, near railroad station.

East Weymouth—Jackson square.

Weymouth—Washington square.

Nantasket Beach—Junction of Nantasket avenue with short street leading to steamboat wharf (via North Main street and Jerusalem Road).

Hull Village—Iron fountain, junction Main and Spring streets, near former residence of John Boyle O'Reilly (via North Main street and Jerusalem road).

Rockland—Square by railroad station.

Brockton—Square by railroad station (via Rockland).

Milton Churches—Front of Town Hall.

Dedham—Intersection High and Washington streets, "Memorial Hall square," (via Quincy, East Milton, Milton Churches and Readville).

Worcester—City Hall (via Dedham, Wellesley, South Framingham and Westboro).

Plymouth—Main street, near North street.

Beechwood—Corners by cemetery.

North Scituate—Square in front of Postoffice.

North Scituate Beach—Corner of Beach street, at "Old Collier House."

Scituate—Iron fountain at junction of Central, Front and Kent streets, near residence of Arthur Williams (via Scituate railway station).

Greenbush—Iron fountain near pond at junction of road leading to Marshfield.

Marshfield Hills—Junction Main street with Bow street road.

Marshfield—Junction Moraine street and Ocean street at Congregational Church.

Brant Rock—Junction Green Harbor (Dike) avenue with Ocean avenue.

Duxbury—Tall flagstaff in square at junction of Washington, St. George and Cove streets and Powder Point avenue, close by cable office.

Kingston—Railroad crossing near station.

Norwell—Intersection of Central and Main streets, near Park and Monument.

Hanover—"Hanover Four Corners."

Reports of the
SURVEYOR OF HIGHWAYS, FINANCE COMMITTEE
AND
HARBOR IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

COHASSET, January 26, 1912.

To the Citizens of Cohasset :

The following is my report as Highway Surveyor for the year ending December 31, 1911 ;

Work on the highways commenced during the latter part of March and proceeded in a systematic manner. The requirements of each district and each street and its sidewalks were studied and proper attention given. Stockbridge street was graveled throughout, and a small drain pipe which has been insufficient to accommodate the waste water in winter and spring was replaced entirely with 8-inch pipe. Atlantic avenue was reconstructed from the driveway of Mr. Pennell to the residence of Rev. H. K. Bartow, thus removing what has hitherto proved to be a disagreeable piece of roadway in wet weather. Jerusalem road has received considerable attention ; portions of it have been resurfaced, and the hill opposite the residence of Mr. William D. Mandell was rebuilt in a substantial manner. I have allowed in my estimate for 1912 the sum of \$2,000 for resurfacing this road with stone and hot tar or oil. In consideration of a vote of the town relative to the removal of the obstructions along this road I thought it my duty to secure an estimate covering the removal of the ledges, etc., outlined in the article. To do the necessary work permanently it will require \$3,000, and I therefore bring it to your attention for such action as you may think proper.

Beechwood Street, with the exception of two or three short stretches, is in such condition that the application of hot tar or oil at a cost of about one thousand dollars

will make it a first-class road, and, as I mentioned before, the amount of travel over this road requires that this step be taken at once, and I have therefore included this amount in my estimates for this season. A sidewalk should be constructed from South Main Street to the end of Beechwood Street, and \$500 has been allowed in my estimate for a part of this work. I have likewise included the amount of \$700 to be expended on King Street.

I have continued the building of sidewalks as commenced last year, feeling that good sidewalks are as essential as good roads. The following is a summary of the more important work in this line :

On Margin Street the sidewalk was raised three inches. On Beach Street, from the residence of Mr. Frederick H. Pratt to Highland Avenue, continuing along this road to the residence of Mr. Edward E. H. Souther, the sidewalks were also raised the entire distance. The sidewalk on Pleasant Street was rebuilt to the residence of Mr. William St. John ; also a length of walk on Short Street. The sidewalk in the hollow below the residence of Mr. Thomas F. Kinsley on Beechwood Street has been raised fourteen inches and a wall constructed topped with a plank fence supported with iron posts.

While probably all the citizens have realized that great changes have taken place in the methods of road building since the advent of the automobile, few perhaps have realized how radical this change has been. Roads that under wear of horse-drawn vehicles would last for years now would be completely destroyed in a few months under action of the swiftly moving rubber-tired machines. Until the discovery of the properties of tarvia and oil, which offset the disintegrating action of the automobile, roads which had been standards of excellence were rapidly torn to pieces. It has been found that the tarvia and oil should be applied hot under pressure to get the results

desired, and wagons to do this work are being used by the Highway Commission and a great many cities and towns. A wagon of this kind should be secured at once for our use, and would prove its value on our highways.

I desire to call the attention of the citizens to the following dangerous spots existing along our highways: The ledge abutting on the property of Mr. Bayley on Beach Street; the corner of the Underwood property on Jerusalem Road; the corner of the Charles Bourne property; also the hill opposite the bowling alley, both on Margin Street.

It was necessary to make extra repairs on the steam roller this year at an expense of \$285.

The amount asked for maintenance of roads and sidewalks in 1912 is \$12,000; for watering and oiling streets, \$5,000; total amount, \$17,000.

In conclusion, I wish to assure you of my appreciation of the help this department has received from our citizens, especially from the doctors who have informed me in many cases of the defects in highways, thus enabling me to have them remedied promptly.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE JASON,

Highway Surveyor.

My financial account follows:

Amount of appropriation	\$11,190 00
Received from steam roller, labor, stone, etc.	473 60
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	\$11,663 60
Amount expended	11,418 26
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	\$245 34
Amount paid for 1910 bills	226 60
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Balance to Treasurer	\$18 74

SUMMARY BY STREETS, ETC.

Margin Street and sidewalk	\$557 00
Stockbridge Street	689 00
Beach Street and sidewalk	867 00

Highland Avenue and three short streets on		
Common	. . . . .	\$433 00
South Main Street	. . . . .	470 00
Border Street	. . . . .	454 00
North Main Street	. . . . .	249 00
Sohier Street	. . . . .	183 00
King Street	. . . . .	314 00
Pond Street	. . . . .	526 00
Ash, Oak and Short Streets and Norfolk		
Road	. . . . .	439 00
Pleasant Street and sidewalk	. . . . .	511 00
Ripley Road	. . . . .	157 00
Atlantic avenue	. . . . .	1,114 00
Elm Street	. . . . .	237 00
Jerusalem Road and Hull Street	. . . . .	1,163 00
Spring Street	. . . . .	35 00
Forest Avenue	. . . . .	185 00
Nichols Road	. . . . .	655 00
Summer Street	. . . . .	260 00
Snow Place	. . . . .	25 00
Bow Street	. . . . .	20 00
Cushing Road	. . . . .	21 66
Beechwood, Church and Doane Streets	. . . . .	1,095 00
Repairing steam roller	. . . . .	285 00
Labor, stone, etc., for outside work	. . . . .	473 60
Amount expended		<u>\$11,418 26</u>

DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES FOR LABOR, GRAVEL, LUMBER,
PAINT, REPAIRING, ETC.

Albert Foster, labor	. . . . .	\$24 00
Daniel F. O'Brine, labor	. . . . .	63 00
Joseph Bandura, labor	. . . . .	63 00
Manuel Oliver, labor	. . . . .	82 13
William Powers, labor	. . . . .	106 88
Cornelius Murphy, labor	. . . . .	54 00

Henry F. Keating, labor	\$99 01
Joseph F. Silvia, labor	84 38
Horace W. White, labor	74 26
Thomas H. Henry, labor	130 51
Walter E. McGrath, labor	73 13
Richard Cadden, labor	124 88
Daniel D. Desmond, labor	113 63
Ellery Sidney, labor	21 75
John P. Antoine, labor	68 50
Edward T. Rielly, labor	223 33
George W. Morris, labor	91 13
Caleb Lincoln, mowing bushes	13 50
David H. Stoddard, labor	91 13
George Stoddard, labor	15 00
George F. Sargent, labor	120 38
Samuel V. Thayer, engineer	327 00
George Jason, wages	997 00
Joseph St. John, kerosene	80
David Souther, team and clay	19 75
William O. Souther, labor	2 25
Mrs. Russell B. Murray, team	24 00
Samuel L. Williams, team and labor	6 25
Joseph E. Grassie, team	128 00
Thomas L. Grassie, team	126 00
Joseph E. Frates, Jr., team	66 00
Charles B. Stright, team	146 00
Estate of Allen C. Bates, paint, brushes, etc.,	37 50
Frank W. Brown, soda ash	4 50
Jesse T. Barnes, team	64 00
Elmer E. Bates, team	149 50
Cyrus W. Bates, team	166 75
Tower Bros. & Co., drain pipe, paint, lumber, etc.	230 89
George Jason, team and labor	338 57
George Jason, cash paid H. W. White .	7 88

George Jason, cash paid G. E. Ainslie .	\$ 2 25
George W. Mealy, team	109 25
Charles E. Nott, team	115 00
Harry F. Tilden, team	265 52
William T. Barnes, team	192 88
Ezekiel L. James, labor and gravel . .	3 75
John T. Barnes, team	146 89
Manuel E. Salvador, kerosene	80
Ira N. Pratt, team	143 75
Benjamin F. Morse, team and labor . .	230 38
Edith Tilden, gravel	78 00
Edgar W. Bates, gravel and sand . .	281 00
Joseph W. Whitcomb, gravel and team .	196 65
Lane Quarry Co., broken stone	458 66
Thomas A. Stevens, team	134 50
J. Arthur Donovan, labor	3 38
John W. Mulcahey, labor	244 70
Thomas O'Neil, labor	45 00
Antone J. Silvia, labor	72 00
Elijah F. Lincoln, team	104 00
William H. McArthur, labor	15 75
Oliver H. Bates, team	74 75
Frank Sargent, painting, stock and labor .	15 25
William W. Bates, sand, gravel and team .	204 19
Frank Hinckley, boiler inspector . .	5 00
Cornelius Callahan Co., hose for boiler .	5 22
Daniel O'Sullivan, labor	144 00
John T. Tower, labor	45 00
Arthur W. Flint, painting	43 88
John F. Smith, painting and labor . .	119 26
Joseph Jason, painting	42 75
Joseph A. Silvia, painting	55 13
Manuel Silvia, labor	11 25
Andrew Sutherland, labor	6 75
Joseph F. Priest, labor	59 63

Charles V. Barnes, repairing bridge . . .	\$21 32
William T. Tilden, repairing bridge . . .	21 32
Buffalo Steam Roller Co., repairing boiler . .	295 08
George Kimball, lumber, spikes, etc. . . .	219 30
Lincoln Bros., coal	46 32
Thomas Loney, team	118 48
Harry W. Burbank, labor	151 87
Frank A. Pearson, labor	36 00
Melvin Thompson, labor	9 00
Webster Griffin, labor	43 88
George F. Ainslee, labor	4 50
Fred Fuller, labor	50 63
Antone Francis, labor	49 50
Antone Dellavo, labor	61 88
Walter P. Bates, labor	14 63
Waldo C. Lock, team	62 00
Samuel E. Pratt, team	80 50
John W. Bates, team	75 86
Arthur C. Litchfield, team	109 25
Mrs. Joseph Jacomb, clay	15 00
George F. Welch, lumber	19 62
Andrew E. Taylor, labor	55 13
Albert E. Grassie, painting	12 00
Harry A. Whitelaw, team	53 50
David Griffin, labor	3 00
Arthur A. Davenport, team	112 13
Franklin Beal, team	116 78
Harry W. White, clay	157 50
Frank W. Wheelwright, team	51 75
Stephen Grinnell, labor	36 00
Michael Lyons, labor	18 00
Edward Freibe, 60 feet curbstone	36 00
Antone E. Salvador, mason	2 60
Edwin W. Bates, cedar posts and team . .	72 13
Alban D. Gillis, blacksmithing	13 05

Levi T. Lincoln, building fence	\$32 00
Mrs. Manuel S. Leonard, gravel	44 60
James O. McCormick, labor	23 63
Frank Mitchell and others, mason and drilling	200 00
Samuel G. James, team	20 00
Samuel F. James, labor	24 25
Andrew H. Prouty, labor	11 25
Charles H. Gale, labor	24 75
Quincy Quarry Co., broken stone	19 80
Abraham Lincoln, labor	22 50
John L. Munnis, labor	20 25
Ira Bates, labor	11 25
John F. Murphy, labor	15 75
Joseph Silvia, labor	34 88
John Bean, labor	33 75
Thomas Roche, stock and labor	90 82
N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R., freight and demurrage	36 51
Arthur R. Keene, mowing bushes	5 63
Alexander Brown, repairing fence	2 25
William P. Malley, blacksmithing	41 90
Manuel Almeda, labor	11 25
Edward Flemming, labor	1 00
George Mitchell, labor	7 88
Thomas F. Kinsley, care of lanterns and fence building	43 95
Thomas W. Whitecomb, gravel and team . .	128 68
Horace Peters, leadening iron posts . . .	7 88
Amount expended	<u>\$11,418 26</u>

ARTICLE 62 — EXTRA APPROPRIATION.

Charles H. Hackett, logs for covering . .	\$15 00
Henry E. Brennock, labor	1 13
Joseph St. John, oil	40
Tower Bros. & Co., cloth tape measure . .	70
Benjamin F. Morse, team	4 00

Norris Bros. & Co., exploders	2 58
William P. Malley, blacksmithing	6 30
William O. Gillis, blacksmithing	6 58
George Jason, team	20 75
Charles E. Nott, team	5 75
Edgar W. Bates, gravel	5 50
John J. Moor, rend rock	12 50
William Powers, labor	38 82
Thomas H. Henry, labor	37 69
Horace W. White, labor	24 19
Andrew H. Prouty, labor	29 08
Daniel McSweeny, labor	32 07
Manuel P. Valine, labor	30 94
Joseph F. Silvia, labor	28 69
Harry F. Tilden, team	35 00
John F. Barnes, team	13 50

\$351 17

Amount of appropriation . . \$400 00

Amount Oakes Farm bill . . 12 00

\$412 00

Amount expended . . 351 17

Balance to treasury . \$60 83

Respectfully,

GEORGE JASON,

Highway Surveyor.

WATERING, OIL AND TARTARIA ACCOUNT.

George W. Mealy, team	\$23 00
William T. Barnes, team	17 25
Elmer E. Bates, team	8 63
John T. Barnes, team	115 00
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe for oil wagon .	25 82
Michael J. Sullivan, brushes and hose for oil wagon	26 35

Cornelius Callahan & Co., hose for oil wagon,	\$21 95
Michael Donahue, repairing oil wagon . . .	5 50
Edgar W. Bates, sand	21 60
Barret Mfg. Co., tarvia	966 39
Barret Mfg. Co., team	25 00
Indian Refining Co., oil	379 24
Standard Oil Co., oil	1,044 64
N.Y., N. H. & H. R.R., freight and demurage,	205 88
Edward T. Rielly, labor	51 75
James Hyde, labor	42 75
Richard Cadden, labor	27 00
John W. Mulchay, labor	49 50
Clare McMahan, labor ,	10 63
Archie McClenon, labor	6 75
Antone Francis, labor	23 06
Ellery C. Bates, labor	2 81
Fred Fuller, labor	16 31
John L. Munnis, labor	18 56
John F. Murphy, labor	18 00
John R. Bean, labor	15 75
Ira Bates, labor	6 75
John P. Antoine, labor	4 50
Horace W. White, labor	13 50
Joseph F. Silvia, labor	9 00
Joseph A. Silvia, labor	58 50
George W. Morris, labor	63 56
Harry W. Burbank, labor	4 50
Henry E. Brennock, labor	3 00
Daniel O. Sullivan, labor	22 50
Thomas H. Henry, labor	13 50
John F. Smith, labor	65 25
Henry F. Keating, labor	60 75
Arthur W. Flint, labor	24 75
Joseph Silvia, labor	58 50
Franklin Beal, team	24 88

Harry F. Tilden, repairing oil wagon and team,	\$203 54
George Jason, team	124 69
Joseph E. Grassie, team	119 32
Charles B. Straight, team	72 00
Thomas W. Whitcomb, team	28 75
Oliver H. Bates, watering contract	450 00
Franklin Beal, extra watering	89 13
Joseph E. Grassie, rent	15 00
Removing tank on Border street	4 75
W. W. Tilden, storing watering carts	30 00
George Jason, storing watering carts	3 50
A. F. B. Peterson, auctioneer	17 90
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	\$4,761 14
Amount appropriated	\$4,500 00
Received from Dennis Driscoll	41 75
Miss McCormick	63 50
By auction sales	179 00
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	\$4,784 25
Amount expended	4,761 14
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Balance to Treasury	\$23 11

SNOW ACCOUNT.

Benjamin F. Morse, shoveling	\$2 25
John H. Wilbur, shoveling	2 25
Thomas H. Henry, shoveling	3 75
Jesse T. Barnes, shoveling	2 25
Horace W. White, shoveling	1 00
Ralph Morse, shoveling	1 25
Frederick Roche, shoveling	1 25
Jeremiah Leary, shoveling	1 25
Alson S. Richardson and others, shoveling	5 87
Thomas A. Stevens and others, horses and men	5 00
Harry C. Bates, shoveling	4 00

John Bates, shoveling	\$ 1 25
Thomas Loney, shoveling and sanding	18 14
Harry F. Tilden, horses and men and freight	72 77
Daniel F. O'Brine, shoveling	8 88
William Powers, shoveling	8 00
Michael J. O'Brine, shoveling	6 50
Edmund M. Croican, shoveling	5 75
Joseph W. Whitcomb, shoveling	50
John F. Murphy, shoveling	2 50
Ira N. Pratt, horses and men	1 50
John B. Daley, shoveling	1 75
Michael Lyons, shoveling	3 75
Estate of Allen C. Bates, pick handle	25
Daniel O. Desmond, shoveling	16 25
Joseph Sullivan, shoveling	3 25
Franklin Beal, horses and men	52 26
John F. Smith, shoveling	19 75
Joseph J. Grassie, shoveling	11 50
Edward Ray Jason, shoveling	12 50
Joseph Oliver, shoveling	12 50
John Kennedy, shoveling	4 00
Harry Black, shoveling	2 00
Fred C. Blossom, shoveling	2 00
Joseph A. Silvia, shoveling	3 75
Antone J. Silvia, shoveling	3 75
Walter McGrach, shoveling	1 50
Joseph Silvia, shoveling	1 25
George Jason, horses and men	69 00
George Jason, cash Horace W. White	4 00
Albert E. Grassie, shoveling	1 75
Frank F. Martin, Jr., shoveling	1 75
Samuel E. Pratt, horses and men	34 00
S. Chester Pratt, shoveling	11 63
Fred Fuller, shoveling	9 63
Arthur C. Litchfield, shoveling	7 13

Ezekiel James, shoveling	\$ 1 25
Michael Gonsalves, shoveling	75
Alban D. Gillis, repairing plow and one new plow	33 75
John W. Sidney, shoveling	75
Henry A. Williams, shoveling	2 00
Manuel P. Valine, shoveling	4 00
Joseph F. Silvia, shoveling	1 75
George E. Salvador, shoveling	1 75
Fabian Valine, shoveling	1 75
Dennis Golden, shoveling	1 00
John Silvia, shoveling	1 75
Alfred M. Antoine, shovelling	1 00
Abraham A. Valine, shoveling	1 75
George McKenzie, shoveling	2 00
Michael McCarty, shoveling	1 00
Charles Silvia, shoveling	1 00
Ellery Sidney, shoveling	3 38
Joseph Levangie, shoveling	2 50
John S. Salvador, shoveling	1 00
Cohasset Livery Stable, horses and men .	38 50
William O. Souther, horses and men . .	32 75
Henry F. Keating, shoveling	2 00
Edgar W. Bates, sand	1 20
William T. Barnes, horses and men . .	33 75
John T. Barnes, horses and men	24 50
A. B. Black R. Machine Co., snow plow .	55 00
Clare McMahon, shoveling	75
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	\$699 39
Amount appropriated \$1,000 00	
Amount expended 699 39	
Balance to treasury \$300 61	

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE JASON,

Highway Surveyor.

COHASSET FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Report No. 6.

COHASSET, February 5, 1912.

To the Citizens of Cohasset:—

The Finance Committee herewith present its annual report for the year 1911.

During the year Elmer F. Olmstead has died, and by his death your Committee has lost a valuable member and the Town a loyal citizen. To fill the office thus made vacant Russell B. Tower has been elected.

George H. Stevens has resigned from the Committee. He has been succeeded by Dr. Evan P. Wentworth.

Since the last annual report we have issued three special reports—one dated March 1, 1911, dealing with the various appropriations asked for at the March meeting; the second, in connection with the funding of the town debt for the special meeting held June 13, and the third in relation to an appropriation of \$2,123.45 for the harbor, and one of \$348 for wire inspection asked for at the special meeting held December 2, 1911.

Although during the past year we have devoted considerable time to the study of various problems in connection with the administration of the town, we do not at this time present any extended report. We may make some suggestions in our report dealing with the various appropriations to be voted on at the coming Town Meeting.

An itemized account of the expenses of the Committee herewith appended.

Paid for :

Printing	\$96 63
Postage and envhlopes	30 74
Addressing envelopes	6 00
Incidental expenses	6 00
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	\$139 37

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM FAXON, JR., *Chairman*,
CHARLES H. HACKETT,
E. CLARENCE TOWER,
J. PENNINGTON GARDINER,
EVAN P. WENTWORTH,
RUSSELL B. TOWER,
E. SNOW, JR., *Secretary*,
Cohasset Finance Committee.

AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM BOX.

The Selectmen wish to call your attention to the fact that the automatic fire alarm box has been installed in the Central Telephone Exchange, as by vote of the town, and in case of fire any person calling the exchange can have an alarm rung in. This box is so arranged that any box number can be rung in. In calling the telephone exchange in case of fire, give the number of the box nearest your residence, if possible. If unable to do this, tell the operator distinctly whose property is on fire, and upon what street.

We also wish to inform you that a police officer is stationed at night on the corner by the telephone exchange. By calling the exchange, this officer will be at your service.

W. O, SOUTHER, JR.,

For Selectmen.

REPORT OF THE COHASSET HARBOR IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

Cohasset, Jan. 25, 1912.

Since its last annual report the Harbor Improvement Committee has held eight meetings, and the sub-committee on dredging has held several meetings and attended hearings and conferences with the Harbor & Land Commissioners at the State House.

The committee meetings have usually been of several hours' duration, as the principle from the beginning has been to endeavor to reach and to act under unanimous conclusions. There never has been any change in the officers or personnel of the committee except by the addition of new members, since its appointment at the annual meeting March 6, 1905, "To discuss Cohasset Harbor Improvements."

The appropriations, outside those for the Lawrence wharf and town shelter, voted to this committee have been as follows:

First: From special town meeting Sept. 9, 1905 \$500

Second: From annual town meeting March 2, 1908 500

Third: From annual town meeting March 2, 1911 500

The above second item has been voted to this committee three times: originally upon motion of Mr. Tilden in March, 1908, for Washington expenses to secure recognition in the river and harbor bill; but no money was expended, Mr. Tilden refusing to charge for his expenses to Washington. It was again voted, to this committee in 1910 together with \$144.96 balance from first appropriation of 1905, but not so recorded, and therefore again revoted in March meeting, 1911, at the time of the third appropriation.

The total of \$1500 therefore embraces all the expenses of this committee for a period of more than six years and these expenses cover the raising of more than \$16,000 by private subscriptions, the placing and maintenance of lights and buoys, purchase of about \$300 worth of buoys to be set the coming season, some expenses on the Town wharf and the securing of \$30,000 from the State.

At the annual Town meeting in March, 1911, \$2000 was appropriated for the improvement of the harbor by the State Board of Harbor & Land Commissioners. This was in addition to the \$5000 voted in March, 1910.

THE BRYANT'S POINT AND WHITE HEAD CHANNELS.

A subscription of \$1000 was received from Owen Bryant conditional upon the widening of the main channel off Bryant's Landing. This together with \$1000 from private subscriptions, making \$4000 in all, was paid over to the State, and the Harbor & Land Commissioners entered into a contract May 5, 1911, with the Bay State Dredging Co., contemplating a dredging expenditure for 1911 of about \$10,000, of which \$4,000 was voted as an addition to the 1910 state contribution of \$24,000. The State took over the White Head channel, which your committee the previous year by private subscriptions had dredged 60 feet wide at the bottom and six feet deep, and widened it to 90 feet.

The main channel from Bryant's Point to the harbor was also dredged six feet below mean low water at a minimum width of 90 feet on the bottom. Both channels, however, are for the most part wider than 90 feet and deeper than six feet as may be noted on accompanying map.

The ledges off Bryant's Point made it necessary to move the channel easterly and cut the banks on the Bassing Beach side which left the funds in the hands of the State insufficient to remove the 10,000 yard shoal off the United States Government wharf, behind which shoal was the deepest water in the harbor—14 feet at mean low tide at the mouth of the Bound Brook. To remedy this Mr. Thomas W. Thatcher subscribed an additional \$50, Mr. H. Appleton Knowles \$100 and Mr. Joseph Bigelow and Mr. C. W. Barron agreed to be responsible for the balance, to insure the full dredging contemplated when the Town appropriated its \$2000. The State divided this expense on balance, leaving \$249 due from the Committee, and each guarantor therefor paid in \$50.

In place of the rushing currents of water in and out of the harbor we now have a channel of such width and depth that the tide rises and falls in the harbor and in the channels about as at Sutton Rock Hole. Any one can now row or sail with an ordinary boat in and out of the harbor without regard to tide or currents.

The buoys have yet to be relocated on this channel, and it is in contemplation to replace the red buoys at Bryant's Point, White Head and at the mouth of the White Head channel, with dolphins carrying red lights. The Committee believes that it can secure the erection of such dolphins without calling upon the Town, although it may be for the Town later to determine whether the lights shall be maintained by connection with the electric lighting system or by oil lamps as at present.

These dolphins with three red lights should give perfect

range day and night for both the Whitehead and main harbor channels.

THE PROBLEM OF SEWAGE FLATS.

Your Committee believed their work was approaching a close, when it was discovered that the sewage stench at the head of the harbor were due not only to inflowing sewage, but to the accumulation of sewage infected flats over many years, which flats did not become troublesome until the dredging of the harbor channel permitted the outflow of water so as to expose these flats to the action of the sun's rays for a longer period at each low tide.

The Committee first voted \$100 of the Town appropriation which was in their hands, to cooperate with any persons at the head of the harbor who would dredge a channel through these flats, hoping thereby to mitigate the nuisance. Such cooperation could not be obtained and the Committee attempted to raise all the money by private subscription to do this work. A channel 25 feet wide and 400 feet long to the head of the harbor with such depth as could be obtained, but not exceeding four feet at mean low water was offered at 30 cents per cubic yard, or for about \$600. But by making the channel 50 feet wide the Committee was able to secure the same price the state was paying for its harbor dredging, 21.9 cents per cubic yard, which was very gratifying, as the dredging company the previous year had declared this end of the harbor to be too rocky for dredging.

It was hoped that this channel would remedy the trouble, but when the dredging was begun it was found that these sewage flats were so infected that the health and comfort of the Town demanded more extended dredging. The committee had contemplated taking out 4000 yards. Conferences were held with the Board of Health and the Selectmen, and while they did not think there was full warrant for removing the flats by condemnation proceedings as is permissible under the law to the extent of a \$2000 expenditure, the Board of Health as individuals subscribed \$25 to the work and the Selectmen offered to take out 3000 yards if the Committee would take out 3000 additional yards, making a total of 10,000 yards. The Committee agreed to this, but had neither money nor subscriptions for such expenditure. It, however, contracted for its 7000 yards upon individual responsibility.

Later when it was proposed to hold a Town meeting to approve the action of the Selectmen, they were notified that while the Harbor Committee had contracted for 7000 yards of dredging at a cost of about \$1500, and hoped to do twice this amount of work and to collect the money therefor by private subscriptions, no money had yet been paid in or even signed

for. The Selectmen were therefore asked to postpone such a meeting a few weeks to give the Committee a clear field to get in more money for the town than the Selectmen themselves proposed to expend. (The Committee arranged to borrow this money on the note of the members, which it was not obliged to use.)

The Selectmen specified that they would do their own dredging under the supervision of the Harbor Masters; but they would invite the co-operation of the Committee to secure additional funds from the State for dredging up Bailey's Creek to Parker Avenue, where the Selectmen deemed it desirable to have in the future a Town landing and where the shore frontage of Mr. Manuel Salvador was being held under option for the Town.

THE PARKER AVENUE LANDING.

After several hearings and conferences with the Harbor and Land Commissioners your committee succeeded in obtaining \$1700 additional from the State for the purpose of dredging up Bailey's Creek.

The State appropriation to Cohasset Harbor was \$24,000 in 1910, \$4000 in 1911, \$300 additional in 1911, and this balance \$1700 made the total State appropriation in two years \$30,000, or one-tenth of the \$300,000 voted by the legislature to be expended throughout the Commonwealth by the Harbor and Land Commissioners during a period of three years.

The Selectmen supervised the dredging up Bailey's Creek, this Committee co-operating only to the extent of securing the State appropriation and also facilities for dumping, as during the late fall dredging operations could not be continued by dumping outside.

In our last report the Committee expressed its hope that plans for a fishermen's wharf and landing at Parker Avenue might be inaugurated. It was also noted that Mr. Salvador had agreed to sell his frontage on Bailey's Creek at cost to the Town for a fishermen's landing and that the owner of the needed adjoining property on Parker Avenue declined to join in the sale to the Town. Mr. Salvador owns the land behind the Government Island on the westerly side of the ditch extending from Border Street down to Bailey's Creek; also the lot of land fronting on Bailey's Creek on the easterly side of the meadow ditch coming from Border Street. Mr. Eltman owns the third lot fronting on the Bailey Creek and Parker Avenue. Mr. Salvador owns the fourth lot fronting on Bailey Creek and east of Parker Avenue.

The Committee hoped to secure for the Town these four lots of land, but Mr. Eltman had declined to sell his.

Last spring Mr. Salvador was about to sell to private interests

when this Committee intervened. The action taken is best shown by the following from the record of the Committee as made at its meeting May 15, 1911:

Mr. Salvador has reported that he has agreed at this meeting and has sold to C. W. Barron his harbor frontage east and west of Parker Avenue and running back to Border St., (3 acres more or less) and all his lands, easements, rights of way and everything appertaining thereto, at original cost to him of \$250, plus taxes and 4% interest on purchase price, and cost of land court title (about \$14), a total sum of approximately \$400, Mr. Barron agreeing to hold the same for 5 years from this date for the town of Cohasset to be sold to the town at any time within this period that the town elects to pay the cost and taxes, but without interest.

This record is supplemented by the following from the record of the meeting of Aug. 22, 1911.

Voted that Mr. Tower be requested to donate to the committee plans of Salvador land between Bailey's Creek and Border St.

Mr. Salvador reported that twenty-one of the fishermen had requested that he hold personally his land near Parker Avenue and they would lease of him annually at interest and taxes, they cancelling lease when the town shall make purchase.

Mr. Barron reported that he agreed to this. Report accepted.

It was upon the basis of this record that the Committee co-operated with the Selectmen to secure \$1700 from the State for dredging up Parker Avenue. The Selectmen agreed to finish this dredging, which was done by them at a cost of \$175 for dredging and \$228 for blasting and removing boulders.

It may not be generally known that the lobster-fishing industry around Minot's Ledge Light is the largest in Massachusetts, and the Committee considers that its protection and advancement should be included in any scheme of improving Cohasset Harbor. The fishing industry at Cohasset Harbor is now the primary business interest of the harbor. It should be cared for and regulated that equal justice may be done to all.

If the frontage on Bailey Creek, now owned by Mr. Salvador, is sold to other than fishermen, the fishermen of this Town will not own a single foot of frontage on the harbor. At present the only Town right of entry into the waters of the harbor is from the Lawrence Wharf, or the end of Parker Avenue.

The Lawrence Wharf and Town landing is restricted in the deed so that it cannot be used for commercial purposes.

There remains only the terminus of Parker Avenue for unrestricted merchandise landing for the Town on Cohasset Harbor. There ought, therefore, in time to be built here a merchandise wharf free to the fishermen and everybody who can make proper use of it. There is probably no necessity for the immediate erection of such a wharf, but the opportunity to secure the nearby shore frontage in order that the fishermen may have marshes upon which to dry out their lobster pots and nets is highly important.

No immediate improvement upon these shore marshes is necessary, but the marsh running back to Border street upon the westerly side of the ditch would furnish a much needed dumping ground for the Town and with such filling might eventually become good land, furnishing a good entrance to Bailey's Creek and deep water on the Creek; for the dredging at a depth of six feet was continued by the State up Bailey's Creek to opposite this point. Easterly the ledges permitted only four feet depth at mean low water, and still further easterly only two feet. Therefore the landing at Parker Avenue can be only for small boats at low tide, but should give good depth for merchandise landing at half tide. Should the fishing industry pass away, either by the abuse of torching or the disappearance of the lobster, the shore frontage would still be valuable to the Town for public or park purposes. It has one of the best views to the ocean, and Bailey's Creek at this point is now assured of permanency since the construction of the breakwater.

Your Committee would strongly recommend the securing of the Salvador land at a cost of less than \$500. It can be sold, now that the Creek has been dredged, for more than this sum, to private parties. If the Eltman lot were obtained the Town would own the shore frontage here from the government property to beyond Parker Avenue.

The importance to the Town of securing all useful entrances to the improved Cohasset harbor, and at an early date, cannot be too highly emphasized. While the Town has been discussing for years the securing of beach privileges or picnic grounds at White Head and other places, it has apparently overlooked the importance of securing proper entrances and landings to its own harbor. Unless the town wishes to be shut off or made to pay taxes to private interests for entrance and exit to its own newly made harbor, there should be no delay in securing proper frontages for the town and all its citizens.

In the report of this committee to the town meeting of March 2, 1908, or four years ago, it was declared: "There is something in a town besides money valuations. There are natural rights of ancient origin to the inhabitants of a seashore or fishing village and these should be jealously guarded however small their financial valuation."

In this connection your committee would call attention to the fact that the city of Boston is now struggling with the problem of obtaining that which does not exist in Boston Harbor,—a proper public landing.

The wisdom of securing, in our harbor rights, of landing for fishermen, for merchandise, and for individuals, at points of convenience, ought not to be questioned.

The Lawrence wharf was purchased when it was several hundred feet from any water at low tide. Now it has 4 to 6

feet of water at low tide on two sides. Could it be bought today if in private hands?

The old Bates wharf at the head of the harbor was sold for \$3000 the past year when 700 feet from water at low tide. Now it is held for \$5000.

THE WHEELWRIGHT LANDING.

After the Selectmen had dredged their proportion of the sewage flats on the north side of the harbor, the Harbor Master continued the dredging on the northerly side, and after widening the channel opposite Tower's Wharf and the Town landing by a single 25-foot cut up to Tilden's Wharf, continued dredging against the marsh lands on Border Street. This piece of marsh property divides among three owners, Spear, Wheelwright and Bourne, the larger part being the central Wheelwright piece. Between the marsh and the street the Town some years ago built a heavy granite wall for protection from the Harbor waters.

Mr. Salvador, and other fishermen, have been occupying parts of this marsh, without any rental or proprietary rights, for some years. The fishermen, however, have of late been ordered off the Spear portion and the Bourne portion. As the dredging was mostly opposite the Wheelwright marsh, for the most part occupied by Mr. Salvador, he objected as a member of this Committee to anything that looked like dredging for the benefit of any member of this Committee. The Dredging Committee also had objection to any dredging specifically in the interest of any privately owned property.

Mr. Salvador and the Dredging Committee therefore held conference with the Harbor Master with a view to recording objections to the dredging at this point. The Committee took measurements and soundings and concluded that it was not worth while to intervene as the completion of what was planned by the Harbor Master would amount to only \$100 or \$200.

It was felt that the Harbor Improvement Committee could not permit its responsibilities concerning harbor improvement to be delegated to any other authority and that the Town would hold the Committee measurably responsible for anything which took place in the harbor if this Committee were in any way negligent.

The Dredging Committee concluded that although it had not invited or instigated this dredging by the Margin street marsh, it could best serve the Town and its citizens by making such dredging of increased value to the Town and its citizens. It therefore invited parties in interest to give landing rights to the Town for a definite term of years.

These negotiations resulted in Mr. C. C. Wheelwright securing from his aunt, Mrs. Sarah C. Wheelwright a deed of the Wheelwright marsh to the inhabitants of the Town, and this deed

will be recorded whenever the Town elects to accept the gift. This marsh has a frontage on the Harbor of 103 feet, and on Margin street of 70 feet, a length of 84.5 feet on the east and 84 feet on the west by the marsh ditch. It has a recorded wharf right covering its entire harbor frontage.

It is deeded, without any restrictions, by Mrs. Wheelwright in memory of her husband, Andrew C. Wheelwright for many years a citizen of Cohasset.

Your committee would recommend the acceptance of this deed and that the Town extend to Mrs. Sarah C. Wheelwright for the gift, and to Mr. Charles C. Wheelwright, for his cooperation in this matter, proper votes of appreciation.

Should this deed be accepted and the Salvador land at Parker Avenue be secured, the Town will have on the harbor, ownership not only of the Lawrence Wharf and Town Landing, and the Town Dock, but 103 feet frontage, between the street and the harbor, on the north side of the harbor, and all the available marsh on the south side of Bailey's Creek, save the Eltman lot, with entrance thereto from Parker Avenue and opportunity for an independent entrance on the Town's own land from Border Street extending the entire length of the United States government property.

These three landings should protect the citizens of the town from loss of their rights to free entry to and from the harbor. It should be remembered in this connection that the harbor is no longer the property of the Town of Cohasset. As now dredged, it becomes the property of the State of Massachusetts, and the Town of Cohasset assumes obligations for its maintenance and police protection.

It is under no state obligation, however, to provide any entrances or exits to the harbor, but the Harbor and Land Commissioners were induced to make a considerable expenditure in the harbor upon the basis that the town had secured a wharf and landing and contemplated another public landing near Parker Avenue.

In view of the Wheelright transfer to the town the Committee under date of Jan. 2 made record as follows:

Voted that the Chairman of this Committee be requested, in drafting article for next Town warrant for the purchase by the Town of Salvador's land on Bailey's Creek, to incorporate a provision whereby Mr. Salvador be given by the Town a life interest in that part of above land from Eltman's meadow westerly to the ditch.

Accompanying this report is a map of Cohasset Harbor as of December 1911, as prepared by the State Harbor & Land Commissioners. It shows not only the dredging that has been accomplished, depth of water in harbor channels at mean low tide, the mean low water mark on dotted line, thus indicating the

dredged area, but also the location of the land on Bailey Creek behind the Government or Gulf Island, which is held under option for the Town, and the Wheelwright land on Margin Street, erroneously labelled Elm St. These streets meet just at the left of where the name is put on the map. Under the word "Elm" is a piece of Marsh owned by Thomas Spear extending from the Tilden property to the creek bounding the Wheelwright marsh.

Your Committee has secured for the Town an option upon this land at the price of \$100. With the Wheelwright land and the Spear land, the Town will be assured of a good opening upon the Harbor from Margin Street.

THE SCITUATE BOUNDARY.

This map also shows where the Town boundary between Cohasset and Scituate comes down to Bailey Creek, Thence it follows the center of the creek into the Harbor and goes down the middle of the old channel northward.

The proposal to change this town boundary so that it will go out by Briggs Harbor and thus give the Bassing Beach Island and the full control of Cohasset Harbor, to the Town of Cohasset was before the legislature last year. It was thoroughly canvassed by your Committee before the Committee on Towns which committee together with the Selectmen of Scituate were entertained at Cohasset harbor and the situation explained. There were also extended hearings at the State House. The Committee was found to be pledged against any town divisions in the state, except by agreement, for fear of the extension of the practice. But the representations concerning the necessity for giving Cohasset the easterly side of her harbor were so strong that the Committee recommended that the matter be referred to the next General Court. This was done after representatives Merritt and Strong of the Committee had explained in the House that the Towns of Scituate and Cohasset ought to have a year to get together on this matter. It was also stated by them that the land had little value to Scituate but was of value in the development of Cohasset harbor.

An endeavor will be made to have the Towns get together on this matter possibly by a meeting in the Scituate Town Hall, where the matter may be explained to the voters of that town. Their residences are so far from Cohasset Harbor that they do not understand our situation, and are easily led to believe that Cohasset contemplates some move to divide up Scituate and get part of Scituate's ocean frontage. The lower tax rate in Cohasset places Scituate naturally on her guard, lest non-resident interests secure part of her ocean frontage and endeavor to improve its value by bringing it under Cohasset's tax rate.

The following figures have been compiled from data of the Harbor and Land Commission:

Areas—Scituate and Cohasset.

	Land acres	Including water area	Sq. miles of land	Sq. miles includ'g water
Cohasset	6,438	13,178	10.06	20.59
Scituate	10,921	40,141	17.07	65.27

Scituate's water area within the three mile shore limit is so large because her boundary on the west points north of west and on the south points east of south.

Your Committee proposes to give the people of Scituate opportunity to hear Cohasset's side, and make it clear that Cohasset has no aggressive movement towards Scituate lands, but should be able to control and protect the harbor in the centre of her civic life. The fisheries of Cohasset Harbor are now of increased value and demand increased protection.

The Committee has had a large map showing the relative positions of Cohasset and Scituate Harbors, and their relation to the population of each Town, which should assist to make clear to the citizens of Scituate that the proposal to carry the Town boundary on the easterly side instead of the westerly side of Bassing Beach Island is not an entering wedge for taking anything of value from Scituate but is a proper measure for the protection of Cohasset Harbor which should now be entirely placed within the domain of this Town.

The bill to change the boundary line is now again before the Massachusetts legislature by proper reference from the last legislature.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Dr.

Jan. 31, 1911, Balance from 1911 account	\$970.00
Interest on deposit,	6.25
Subscriptions Owen Bryant and others to May 15 ...	1,040.00
	2,016.25

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May 15, 1911, paid Massachusetts State Treasurer ..	2,000.00
Balance	16.25

Dr.

Subscriptions paid in after Aug. 28, Dredging flats ...	3,609.
Interest on deposit	9.

Cr.

Nov. 21, paid Massachusetts State Treasurer	2,568.43	
Balance on hand paid in after Nov. 21....	1,066.83	
	3,635.26	3,635.26

TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR BREAKWATER AND DREDGING, 1910-
1911, AND APPORTIONMENT.

State contribution	30,000.00		
1910 Town appropriation.	5,000.00		
Private subscriptions....	7,000.00	12,000.00	
Private subscriptions and cost of Channel		3,650.00	
1911 Town appropriation	2,000.00		
Subscriptions	2,000.00	4,000.00	
1911 Subscription for dredging flats.....	2,568.43	22,218.43	52,218.43
Paid the State by the Selectmen		2,123.45	

Total\$54,341.88

SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID IN 1911:

Arthur, Wm. & Alice B. ..	\$10.00	Hutchinson, Joseph.....	5.00
Badger, A. C.....	100.00	Hyde, Benj. D.	*100.00
Badger, Dr. G. S. C.	25.00	James, Charles L.	25.00
Bancroft, Hugh	*100.00	James, D. K.	*10.00
Barron, C. W. & Cousens, C. H.	400.00	Kimball, H. B.	10.00
Barron, C. W., for dredging	153.30	Knowles, H. A.	*100.00
Barron, C. W., on guaranty	50.00	Knowles, John A.	100.00
Bartow, Rev. H. K.	*25.00	Lawson, T. W.	250.00
Bayley, E. B.....	*25.00	Leonard, M. S.	5.00
Bigelow, Alanson.....	*50.00	Lewis, Geoffrey W.	10.00
Bigelow, Jos. S., on guaranty	*50.00	Lincoln, A. L.	25.00
Bigelow, W. DeF.	*10.00	Lothrop, C.	*10.00
Blake, Mrs. Arthur.	100.00	Lothrop, Family of J. J. ...	*50.00
Bourne, Est. of Chas. P. .	50.00	Lyman, Arthur	*25.00
Brown, W. H.	*10.00	McElwain, J. F.	200.00
Bryant, Edw. S.	*50.00	McGaw, Wm. H.	25.00
Buffum, A. E.	10.00	Milliken, A. N.	*100.00
Cadose, Levi	5.00	Moore, John	200.00
Child, R. W.	10.00	Osgood, Dr. Geo.	*25.00
Cousens, H. B.	5.00	Payson, C. C.	10.00
Crocker, G. G.	*50.00	Peters, Priscilla L.	10.00
Crosset, L. A.	150.00	Petersen, Andrew	5.00
Dean, Dudley S.	*15.00	Peterson, Arnie	3.00
Dean, James	*10.00	Pratt, Edgar J.	*5.00
Earle, J. W.	5.00	Pratt, F. H.	*25.00
Eltman, John	10.00	Reed, Rev. James	*20.00
Figueredo, Antoine	5.00	Salvador, M. E.	*10.00
Friebe, Edw.	25.00	Sears, W. R.	*25.00
Gammons, C. W.	*25.00	Sidney, Antoine	*5.00
Grassie, M. A.	*5.00	Silva, Antoine.....	1.00
Grassie, Patrick	5.00	St. John, Jos.	25.00
Green, Richard T.	100.00	Sullivan, J. L.	10.00
Harding, A. E.	*1.00	Synnott, E. A.	10.00
Harding, Lester W.	*10.00	Thatcher, T. W.	*50.00
Health, Members Board of.	25.00	Tilden, H. A.	100.00
Higgins, A. O.	*10.00	Tilden, Harry F.	5.00
Higginson, Charles	10.00	Tilden, Wm. T.	1.00
Higginson, John B.	10.00	Tower, D. N.	*10.00
Howe, Dr. O. H.	*15.00	Tower, H. B.	*10.00

Tower, N. B.	*10.00	White, Dr. Charles J.	*15.00
Treat, B. S.	*5.00	Willard, H. S.	5.00
Trott, C. H.	10.00	Willcutt, J. N.	50.00
Wadleigh, H. W.	100.00	Williams, Mary L.	*10.00
Wentworth, Dr. E. P.	*5.00	Winters, J. H.	10.00
Wheelwright, C. C.	50.00		
Total			\$3,609.30
*Additional to previous payments.			

RECAPITULATION.
Subscribers--1910-1911.

Adams, Charles F., 2d ..	\$100.00	Curtis, G. B.	25.00
Adams, Mrs. J. Q.	100.00	Dean, Dudley S.	30.00
Ainslie, Robert	5.00	Dean, James	25.00
Appleton, William C.	10.00	Earle, J. W.	5.00
Arthur, Wm. & Alice B. ..	10.00	Ellsworth, H. H.	10.00
Badger, A. C.	100.00	Eltman, John	10.00
Badger, Dr. G. S. C.	25.00	Enos, Manuel S.	5.00
Bancroft, Hugh.	200.00	Eustis, James W.	25.00
Barron, C. W. & Cousens, C. H.	400.00	Farwell J. W.	100.00
Barron, C. W., on guaranty	50.00	Fernald, Dr. H. E.	50.00
Barron, C. W., for dredg'g	153.30	Figuerido, Antoine	5.00
Bartow, Mrs. H. K.	100.00	Foss, Eugene N.	500.00
Bartow, Rev. H. K.	100.00	Friebe, Edw.	25.00
Bates, Chas. S., Est. of ..	200.00	Furber, E. H.	10.00
Bates, Philander	15.00	Gagnebin, C. L.	25.00
Bayley, E. B.	75.00	Gammons, C. W.	75.00
Bigelow, Alanson Jr.	100.00	Gardiner, J. P.	50.00
Bigelow, Albert F.	15.00	Gay, Harry H.	100.00
Bigelow, Arthur G.	150.00	Gay, William O.	5.00
Bigelow, Jos. S.	200.00	Goodwin, L. I.	5.00
Bigelow, Jos S., Jr.	10.00	Grassie, M. A. & J. E.	30.00
Bigelow, Mary C.	50.00	Grassie, Patrick	5.00
Bigelow, Mrs. & Mr. A. S..	300.00	Green, Richard T.	100.00
Bigelow, Stephen	10.00	Harding, A. E.	6.00
Bigelow, W. DeF.	60.00	Harding, Lester W.	20.00
Blake, Mrs. Arthur	100.00	Health, Members Board of.	25.00
Bremer, C. L.	25.00	Higginson, Fred'k	25.00
Bremer, Dr. J. L.	250.00	Higgins, A. O.	15.00
Brown, Herbert L.	10.00	Higginson, Charles	10.00
Brown, W. H.	35.00	Higginson, John B.	10.00
Bryant, Edward S.	150.00	Hincheliffe, Dr. F.	10.00
Bryant, Owen	1,000.00	Howe, Dr. O. H.	50.00
Bourne, Est. of C. P.	50.00	Hunnewell, H. S.	100.00
Buffum, A. E.	10.00	Hutchinson, Joseph	5.00
Cadose, Levi	5.00	Hyde, Benj. D.	400.00
Chapin, Est. of, Henry B. ..	100.00	James, Dean K.	110.00
Child, R. W.	10.00	James, Chas. L.	25.00
Clapp, Sarah	100.00	Jason, George	5.00
Clark, B. Preston	50.00	Kellen, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. V.	500.00
Cohasset Yacht Club	1,000.00	Kelley, Stillman F.	400.00
Collier, E. P.	20.00	Kimball, H. B.	10.00
Collier, Geo. W.	5.00	Knowles, H. Appleton	400.00
Cousens, H. B.	5.00	Knowles, J. A.	100.00
Coxe, Henry B.	100.00	Lawson, T. W.	250.00
Crocker, G. G.	250.00	Lee, Joseph	100.00
Crossett, L. A.	150.00	Leonard, M. S.	5.00
Cumner, H. W.	100.00	Lewis, G. W.	10.00

Lincoln, A. L.	25.00	Sheldon, Nicholas	200.00
Long, H. V.	250.00	Sidney, Antoine	10.00
Lothrop, C.	25.00	Silva, Antoine	1.00
Lothrop, J. J. Family of ...	325.00	Smith, Albert O.	100.00
Luce, Matthew	25.00	Snow, E., Jr.	25.00
Lyman, Arthur	100.00	Souther, E. E. H.	10.00
Mandell, W. D.	200.00	Spaulding, S. S.	200.00
Manning, F. H.	25.00	Stevens, Geo. H.	55.00
Martin, Frank F., Jr.	5.00	St. John, Joseph.....	25.00
McElwain, J. F.	200.00	Sullivan, J. L.	10.00
McGaw, Wm. H.	25.00	Synnott, E. A.	10.00
Milliken, Arthur N.	300.00	Thatcher, Thos. W.	200.00
Moore, John.....	200.00	Tilden, H. A.	100.00
Moors & Bros., John F.	150.00	Tilden, H. F.	5.00
Newton, Geo F.	50.00	Tilden, W. T.....	1.00
Osgood, Dr. Geo.	50.00	Tower, D. N.	35.00
Parker, Elizabeth S.	300.00	Tower, Gilbert S.	5.00
Parker, Wm. L.	300.00	Tower, H. B.	20.00
Payson, C. C.	10.00	Tower, N. B.	60.00
Pegram, F. R.	5.00	Tower, R. B.	25.00
Pegram, George H.	15.00	Townsend, R. S.	35.00
Pennell, Henry S.	25.00	Treat, B. S.	10.00
Peters, Pricilla L.	10.00	Trott, C. H.	10.00
Petersen, Andrew	5.00	Wadleigh, H. W.	100.00
Peterson, Arnie	3.00	Webster, A. G.	100.00
Pratt, Eben	10.00	Webster, H. B.	50.00
Pratt, Edgar J.	15.00	Welch, Chas. A.	200.00
Pratt, F. H.	50.00	Wentworth, Dr. E. P. ...	10.00
Preston, Geo. M.....	100.00	Wheelwright, C. C.	50.00
Reed, F. L.	5.00	White, Dr. Chas. J.	30.00
Reed, Rev. James	70.00	Whitney, Hammond M....	25.00
Reed, Wm. H.	25.00	Whitney, Henry M.	400.00
Robbins, N. C.	5.00	Willard, H. L.	5.00
Salvador, M. E.	20.00	Willcutt, Edw. L.	100.00
Sankey, Bethia L.	500.00	Willcutt, Jos. N.	50.00
Sears, Geo. O.	50.00	Williams, Mary L.....	60.00
Sears, Wm. R.	175.00	Williams, Ralph B.	200.00
Shaw, Stillman	200.00	Winters, J. H.	10.00

\$16,269.30

Of the above \$16,269.30 paid in two years by individual subscribers the Lothrop family (including Mrs. Sankey) paid \$825 without solicitation, other year-round residents on the harbor, or representing interests tributary thereto, paid \$664, and in addition \$676 was paid by people living in Cohasset the year round, a total of \$2165 by the year-round residents of Cohasset, leaving \$14,104.30 paid by the summer residents of Cohasset and the Glades.

THE DREDGING FIGURES AND COST.

We cannot better present the statistics regarding the dredging operations in Cohasset Harbor than by the following extract from report of Frank W. Hodgdon, Chief Engineer, to the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, Nov. 14, 1911.

"The total cost of all improvements done at Cohasset is as follows:

"J. P. O'Riorden, dredging in 1910.....	\$20,785.05
Thomas Fitzgibbon, breakwater.....	10,404.83
Bay State Dredging Co., Ltd., dredging in 1911.....	16,578.76
Supervision and incidental expenses, includ- ing original surveys.....	2,923.24

\$50,691.88

"The funds for this work were provided as follows:

Allotment from State appropriation.....\$30,000.00

"Contributed by the town of Cohasset, and
individual contributions,.....16,000.00

*"Contributions promised but not yet paid, 4,691.88

\$50,691.88"

The above does not include \$3650 for cutting
the channel through the Whitehead bar
paid for by the Committee from the private
subscriptions in 1910 making total break-
water and dredging cost.....\$54,341.88

To which may be added value of buoys and
spars in place and in stock—paid for..... 400

Cost of Dolphins in 1912 from private sub-
scriptions on hand (estimated) 450

Cost and improvements on Lawrence wharf
and Town Landing (estimated) 2,750

U. S. government expenditure on harbor
channel dredging and rock removal from
River and Harbor bill of 1902..... 10,000

Total cost..... 67,941.88

*Since paid. Commission would not deposit \$2568.43 in checks of the
committee for its proportion until balance \$2123.45 due from Selectmen
was on hand. This was paid by the Selectmen Dec. 4, 1911 following
town meeting of Saturday Dec. 2nd.

The official report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners
concerning the expenditure at Cohasset Harbor may be of
interest to the Town, and we therefore reprint from the State
report, as follows:

[From Report of Harbor and Land Commissioners for year 1911 on
Cohasset Harbor.]

In the spring of 1910 a survey was made of this harbor and a project
for improvement prepared. The town having appropriated \$5000 and pri-
vate parties an additional \$7000 in aid of this project, a contract was entered
into on July 18, 1910, with Thomas Fitzgibbon, for the construction of a stone
breakwater at the entrance to the inner harbor, extending from a point
on Bassing Beach about 1200 feet northeasterly from its southwesterly
end and to extend therefrom about 800 feet northwesterly. The contract

price was \$2.13 per ton for furnishing the stone and building the breakwater. The work was completed Oct. 10, 1911, at a cost of \$10,404.83.

On July 18, 1910, a contract was made with Jeremiah P. O'Riorden for dredging an anchorage basin and channel leading therefrom to the town landing, in the inner portion of the harbor, the basin to be made by dredging to the depth of six feet at mean low water an area of flats about 1100 feet long and 300 feet wide, lying northwesterly of the present channel and extending from a bend therein about opposite the Cohasset Yacht Club house to the present anchorage basin. The channel leading to the town landing was to be dredged four feet deep at mean low water, 100 feet wide on the bottom, and to be about 700 feet long. The contract price was 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ cents per cubic yard measured in scows.

The total amount expended during 1910 was \$21,191.76.

Owing to the fact that the contract price was less than the estimated cost of dredging, two additional areas adjoining that named in the contract were dredged, but the Board was unable to excavate the inner end of the channel to the full depth on account of ledges and boulders which were encountered. All of the dredging was completed Dec. 2, 1910, at a cost of \$20,785.05.

In addition to the work described above the citizens of the town, at their own expense, caused the entrance channel to be dredged 60 feet wide on the bottom and six feet deep at mean low water.

There being a small balance remaining from the allotment made by the Board from the appropriation, and the town and citizens having agreed to increase their contributions, a contract was entered into on May 5, 1911, with the Bay State Dredging Company, Ltd., to widen the entrance channel and to remove certain shoals which had formed during the previous year, also to enlarge the anchorage basin by dredging an area near the Government wharves. The contract price was 21.9 cents per cubic yard measured in scows. While this work was in progress further sums were contributed by the citizens of Cohasset and the channel in the upper harbor was extended to the wharves at the mouth of the James River.

The depth of this excavation varies from two to six feet at mean low water, the bottom being either rocky or so hard that a greater depth could not be secured. In addition the lower portion of Bailey's Creek up to the point opposite Parker Avenue was dredged to a depth of from two to six feet at mean low water, the bottom here also being largely rock or hardpan.

A plan of Cohasset harbor accompanies this report.

The amount expended during the year is \$27,376.72.

The total amount expended to Dec. 1, 1911, is \$48,568.48.

To the above \$48,568 should be added the \$2,123 paid by the Selectmen three days later to make the \$50,691 reported by the State Engineer Nov. 14th.

The details of the yardage excavated this year and the division of the work as ordered by the State by the Harbor Committee and by the Selectmen will appear from the following report of the chief engineer of the State:

Nov. 21, 1911.

To the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners:

State House, Boston.

Gentlemen:

In order to supplement my report of November 14th and make it clear exactly what amount is due the Bay State Dredging Company, Limited, from the State and from other parties for work done in dredging Cohasset harbor, I make the following statement.

For work done in accordance with the contract dated May 5, 1911, as ordered by the Commonwealth:

54,278 cu. yds. of material excavated and deposited at sea at 21.9c	\$11,886.88
Credit by cash.	10,143.13
Due from the Commonwealth	1,743.75
For work ordered by C. W. Barron:	
*700 cu. yds. at 21.9c	153.30
For work ordered by Selectmen:	
8,655 cu. yds at 21.9c	\$1,895.45
Removing boulders	228.00
For work ordered by Harbor Committee:	
*11,028 cu. yds. at 21.9c	2,415.13
Total due.	6,435.63

Respectfully submitted,
FRANK W. HODGDON,
Chief Engineer.

*These items add to make the \$2,568.43 item in other accounts.

The following memoranda from the records of the Cohasset Harbor Improvement Committee, December 19, 1911, of the report of the sub-committee on dredging as made under date of November 22, 1911, should make clear the detail of the work and exactly where the dredging was done, and by whose orders, that any credit for whatever has been done this year may be properly adjusted.

MEMORANDA OF COHASSET HARBOR IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

(From its records of December 19 1911 as per report of sub-committee on dredging.)

Nov. 22, 1911.

It was proposed this year, and contracts were made therefor, to take out 40,000 yards.

There was actually taken out as follows:

By the State	54,278 yds. at 21.9	
" " harbor committee.....	11,728 " " "	
" " selectmen	8,655 " " "	
Total	74,661 " " "	\$16,350.76
<i>Selectmen's yardage divides as follows:</i>		
Town dock	1,000 " " "	219.00
Bailey's Creek	800 " " "	175.20
Sewage flats on north side and widening channel	3,000 " " "	657.00
dredging north side	3,855 " " "	844.25
		\$1,895.45
Removing boulders		228.00
Total	8,655	2,123.45
<i>Committee's yardage divides as follows:</i>		
Charged C. W. Barron	700 " " "	153.30
Guaranty on yardage off Government Wharf	1,139 " " "	249.44
White Head Basin yardage November 7, 1911	411 " " "	90.01
On frontage off Town Wharf and Dock, November 6, 1911	119 " " "	26.06
Widening Channel off Tower's		

Wharf, South Side, approx	1,000 yds. at 21.9	219.00
Sewage Channel to Tilden's Dock, 4000 yards	4,000 " " "	876.00
Sewage Flats, South side of Har- bor	4,350 " " "	954.62
Total	11,728 " " "	2,568.43

THE INCREASED RUN OF FISH.

Attention was called in the Committee's report last year to the increase that might be expected in the run of fish in and out of Cohasset Harbor on the completion of the dredging operations. From three to four thousand dollars worth of fish was taken with gill nets by Cohasset fishermen from Cohasset Harbor and waters the last fall. The herring, in size and abundance, were beyond anything seen in Cohasset Harbor in recent years. Owing to the dredging by the Selectmen against the Wheelwright marsh the fishermen were enabled to take fish here every hour of the 24 when the fish were running and several hundred dollars worth of fish were caught west of the Town wharf where last year were only flats at low tide.

THE LAWRENCE WHARF AND TOWN LANDING.

From the \$500 appropriated for the use of this committee at the last town meeting, there have been expended upon the Lawrence Wharf and Town Landing as follows:

L. D. Willcutt & Sons Co., contract for grading between the street and the shelter and for planting trees and shrubs	\$135.00
Additional payment for granolithic floor under shelter. . .	45.00
H. S. Willard, 1½ cords manure and spreading.	13.00
Thomas W. Doyle, painting pontoon	3.30
C. Callahan Co., 75 feet of hose, with nozzle and sprinkler	8.90
Benjamin H. Crane for care of wharf, grass and shrubs . .	16.50
William Levange, grading from Town Wharf to dock steps	6.75
Total	228.45

It was necessary to sprinkle and care for the grass and shrubs during the hot summer to save the investment therein. It was also found necessary to replace the gravel floor under the shelter to insure cleanliness.

The committee was offered a contract to fill and grade between the sidewalk and the town dock east of the wharf for about \$80. It, however, secured the use of the adjoining wharf without expense, and induced the dredging company to pile scow material from the dock on this wharf and over the wall by the head of the dock and paid Mr. Levange \$6.75 for labor in shovelling and placing the same.

This is largely clay material and should later be covered with loam and grass should the town elect to make the dock,

which the Selectmen have dredged at an expense of \$219, available for the use of the citizens.

THE TOWN DOCK.

While the Selectmen were dredging in the harbor, they considered it advantageous to the town to take out about a thousand yards from the town dock, dredging the dock to a depth of six feet at mean low water. The Town Landing cannot be maintained as a landing if boats are to be tied up at the end of the wharf.

There should, therefore, be a second float built in the Town Dock, or the one now owned by the town at Tower's Wharf may be removed thereto. Such float should have connection either with the stone steps now leading to the dock, or to the Lawrence Wharf, and small boats should be permitted to tie up at this float. The cost of such a float and a proper run and equipment should not exceed \$300. It should be long and narrow to permit the proper mooring of boats on both sides, and this town dock as well as the Lawrence Wharf and Town Landing should be placed in charge of some individual responsible either to this Committee or to some other Committee appointed by the Town.

This opens up the question of whether this Committee ought not to be reorganized as a Harbor Committee or succeeded by another Committee to take full charge of the harbor and the investment of the town and the state therein and of the Town in its harbor property and frontages.

If the Town elects to Continue this committee to do the small work necessary to finish up on dolphins, buoys, etc., the Committee should formulate plans for a successive permanent organization to be later passed upon and accepted or rejected by the town.

For the present, however, it might be advisable for the town to consider if it will for the coming year entrust its entire harbor and harbor frontage interest to this Committee with directions to the Selectmen to render such assistance as may be necessary in the judgment of the Committee.

DANIEL N. TOWER, Chairman.

CHARLES H. COUSENS

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WILLIAM R. SEARS

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OLIVER H. HOWE

FREDERICK H. PRATT, Secretary.

